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ARMED POLICE AT 'GUN' SCARE

By BEN MIDDLETON

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ARMED police were sent to Seaton as reports of a man waving a 'gun' sparked a major incident in the town.

During the incident, that took place on Tuesday last, the Harbour Road area of the town was closed off to motorists and members of the public and a police cordon was set up in the area.

Pulman's View was at the scene as the drama unfolded. Initial reports were sketchy and suggested that a man from the town had been seen waving some sort of gun in the garden of a property on Harbour Road.

However, details later emerged that a man had been arrested for causing criminal damage and waving an air rifle from the window of a Harbour Road flat.

Speaking at the scene PC Steve Spearritt, of Seaton police, said: "There has been an incident in Seaton. We had to close the road for public safety. One suspect has been arrested."

Dozens of officers from across east Devon raced to the scene. A short search ensued and a suspect was arrested. No injuries were reported.

Harbour Road was reopened at approximately 2.30pm. A spokesman for Devon and Cornwall Police said: "At 1.45pm on Tuesday, April 20th, a report was made to police that a male had been seen waving what was believed to be an air rifle from a flat window in Harbour Road, Seaton.

"Officers from East Devon Patrol, Neighbourhood Teams and Armed Response were deployed to the location.

"After a short search a male was arrested on suspicion of causing criminal damage. An air rifle was located nearby."

Following the incident a 41-year-old man appeared at Exeter Magistrates' Court on Wednesday morning (April 21st). He has been charged with criminal damage.

The man has been bailed to return to Heavitree Road Police Station, Exeter, in June for the air weapon offence.



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◆ ARMED police were called to an incident in Seaton on Tuesday

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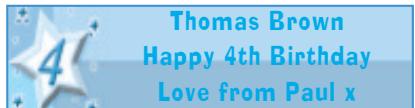
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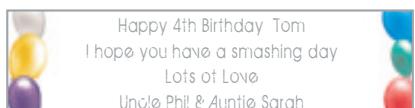
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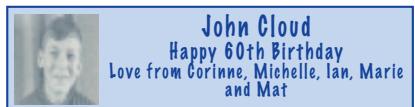
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Tractor run full in days

IT took only eight days for this year's Colyton Vintage Tractor Run to become fully subscribed.

Even if there were to be a few cancellations, a capacity 120 tractors are expected on the starting list as organisers have no shortage of names on the stand-by list.

The event is on Monday, May 31st and Ann Veit of Colyton Tractor Run said: "Eight days after the mailing of the entry forms the run was completely booked and entries are being returned to drivers."

"This is a special year as it is our 10th run. Started in 2000 to celebrate the Millennium, it has grown from 23 tractors to 120."

"Being the 10th run it is planned to start and finish in Colyton."

"As normal we will be starting from the Peace Memorial Playing Fields."

"The innovation is that we will return to the fairground field at Shiphay Farm courtesy of Bob Collier."

"Driver lunch will be served in a marquee kindly lent for the occasion by Colaton Raleigh and District Ploughing Association."

"A bar will be provided by the Colcombe Hotel and refreshments for the public will be available in the field."

"Our main sponsor, CRW Accountants, have paid the insurance for the run and the marquee."

"We are extremely grateful to everyone for their help."

"It should be a splendid day, weather permitting. The beneficiary this year will be Devon Air Ambulance Trust, very fitting as they were our first beneficiaries."

Police seek car vandals

POLICE in Seaton are appealing for witnesses to come forward after a black Ford Fiesta that was parked in the Co-op car park, Seaton, was scratched across the bonnet.

The incident took place between 1.30pm and 3.15pm on Friday, April 9th.

Anyone with information should contact Seaton police on 08452 777 444 quoting crime number KN/10/133.

'Horse race'

COLYTON Football Club is inviting the general public to a horse race and quiz night at The Pavilion, Peace Memorial Playing Fields, on Saturday, May 29th, starting at 8pm.

The club is raising funds for its forthcoming centenary celebrations, and tickets for the event are available from Rob on 01297 553570.

Garden fair

COLYTON Grammar School Parents' Association will be holding a garden fair in the school grounds from 10am until 4pm on Saturday, May 8th.

A variety of stalls including crafts, cream teas, cakes and tombola will be available.

Admission is £3 for adults and children can enter free of charge.

Beat surgery

THE Seaton Neighbourhood Beat Team will be holding a police surgery on Tuesday, April 27th, at the Community Resource Centre, Fore Street, Seaton.

Residents are invited to attend and discuss any concerns with PCSO Chris Bolsover. The event will run from 9.30am until 11.30am.



◆ A ST George's Day Fayre in Seaton raised more than £550 for the local home nursing service. The event was staged by Seaton & District Hospital League of Friends, and the total raised came to £555. Photographed are Judith Croton and Rose Pember with some young fayre goers at one of the stalls

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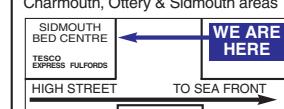
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Donald Campbell, chairman of East Devon Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and author of Exploring the Undercliffs, will speak on coastal invertebrates.

East Devon District Council nature reserves officer Fraser Rush will talk on Axe Wetlands management.

Dr David Allen, the author of Wild Flowers of the East Devon Coast, and Dr Mike Lock, chairman of Axe Vale and District Conservation Society, are set to discuss plant diversity on chalk grassland.

Dr Jason Hall Spencer, lecturer at the Marine School of Science and Engineering at Plymouth University, is to talk about the diversity of marine life.

The seminar will run from 2.30pm-5pm and tickets are £4 for adults, £2.50 for students, schoolchildren free. Tickets can be bought on the door or in advance from Trendz in Seaton, Archway Bookshop in Axminster or Haynes Hardware in Colyton.

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Sophie helps firm promise to be greener

AXMINSTER Carpets aims to reduce energy usage by 20 per cent throughout the group, and become carbon neutral in five years.

To achieve this aim, the company is working with the University of Exeter through a government initiative known as Knowledge Transfer Partnership Scheme.

Sophie O'Callaghan has joined



◆ SOPHIE O'CALLAGHAN

the company from the university with a first class honours degree in Environmental Science.

Having been selected from more than 40 high-grade applicants, the principal objectives of Sophie's three-year tenure are to reduce energy usage by 20 per cent throughout the group, investigate potential green energy sources and develop sustainable activities to work towards Axminster Carpets' ultimate ambition of a carbon neutral status within five years.

As part of the deal, Axminster Carpets can utilise the university's resources and a regular committee will track the progress of the scheme as well as Sophie's development.

Axminster Carpets MD Josh Dutfield said: "Our signing up to the Knowledge Transfer Partnership Scheme, and the appointment of Sophie, represent our ongoing commitment to reducing the environmental impact of the production and distribution of our carpets.

"We are passionate about the environment and believe achieving a carbon neutral status would be the next milestone on the long road to becoming sustainable.

"There is no short or temporary fix to sustainability and I am sure that Sophie will help us to make solid steps in the right direction."

TOWN crier Nick Goodwin did the rounds on Friday to get Axminster into the St George's Day spirit.

Sporting his own flag, the town crier

had a national holiday.

"We should be celebrating St George's Day."

Axminster Inn also sported its own flag and town crier Goodwin is photographed with Vanessa Hart, Paul

Lathom, Sammy Brown and Emily Traynor.

The dog is named Sprocket and owner Sandra Sampson, who was passing by, said: "It is a very patriotic dog."

Town crier rallies the local troops on St George's Day

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Men bailed

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The men, aged 26 and 43, were arrested following an incident on an Axminster footpath involving a woman and a young child.

Police were called to a footpath off Stoney Lane at about 3.30pm on Thursday, April 22nd.

The police log had no details of injuries to the aggrieved.

A police spokesperson stressed it was not a random attack.

Altercation

AXMINSTER police have launched an investigation after two colleagues had a verbal altercation.

A spokesperson for Devon and Cornwall Police said two Axminster Carpets employees had a verbal altercation at work on Monday, April 19th. It is alleged that one of the employees then damaged the other employee's car windscreen.

The spokesperson said that no arrests have been made but statements are being taken and the investigation is ongoing.

Theft halted

AN attempt to steal lead from a property in Colyton was thwarted after the homeowner spotted the suspects in the act.

The incident took place at approximately 4am on Saturday, April 24th, in the Butts area of Colyton.

Despite police attending the scene, the suspect ran off and was not located. Anyone with information is asked to call Seaton police on 08452 777 444 quoting crime number KN/10/157.

Gearing up to welcome cycle tour back again

By BEN MIDDLETON

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HONITON is gearing up to welcome Tour of Britain riders to the town for the second year in a row.

Devon County Council (DCC) and Somerset County Council (SCC) will be hosting another two stages of the tour on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 14th and 15th.

Stage four of The Tour of Britain will start at the Minehead and will finish 107 miles away in the south Devon town of Teignmouth. As the riders cross the Somerset border into Devon they will pass through Hemyock, Dunkeswell and Awliscombe and face a sprint into Honiton before a King of the Mountains climb on the A375 out of the town.

Stuart Hughes, DCC cabinet member for highways and transportation, said: "We're proud to be co-hosting another two stages of the Tour of Britain this year and we're delighted that we can continue to work closely with SCC to build on our success of recent years."

"Last year's tour was outstanding, with record crowds turning out to see



◆ TOUR of Britain cyclists during the Honiton stretch in 2009

the action.

"People in Devon and Somerset have really embraced the tour — the crowds provided a special atmosphere last time round and this is a perfect chance for them to show their support again.

"It's also an opportunity for visitors to see what an ideal destination our two counties are for cycling, which is great for our economy, and I'm sure

this year's stages will provide another memorable occasion for spectators and a tough test for the riders."

More than a quarter of a million people turned out along the south west routes in 2009 to see the racing, generating almost £6 million for the Devon and Somerset economies. The streets of Honiton were packed with local school children waving flags and banners as the riders made their way through the town.

Hugh Roberts, of The Tour of Britain, said: "The two Devon and Somerset stages of the 2009 race were a great success, thanks to the large crowds and the vast number of school children that attended the stages.

"This also goes to show that cycling as a sport is growing exponentially in its national popularity. We at The Tour of Britain, together with our partners at DCC and SCC, are extremely pleased to be a key part of this process.

"The feedback from riders who took part in the 2009 event has been overwhelmingly positive, and our aim for the 2010 event is to put on another spectacular show for the crowds."

For more information about the tour visit www.tourofbritain.co.uk.



Youngsters' new play equipment unveiled at event

NEW play equipment for young children has been unveiled at Heathpark, Honiton.

An opening event to celebrate the occasion took place on Monday last and representatives from the organisations involved in the project to bring play equipment to the area attended.

The equipment will form a Trim

Trail area next to the Community Flat on St Paul's Road.

Funding for the scheme has been put forward by East Devon District Council (EDDC), Sovereign Housing Association, the Community Safety Partnership and Devon County Council.

Youngsters and representatives from the organisation are pictured during the unveiling event.

Fundraiser days away

AN important fundraiser for The Minster Church in Axminster is only a few days away.

The annual May Fair starts at 10am on Saturday, May 1st, on the green outside the church.

Churchwarden and fair organiser Karen Wilkes said: "There will be lots of stalls including a cake stall, book stall, plants, tombola and refreshments including light lunches, which always prove popular."

"We are expecting Karizma Majorettes at 11am and are hoping for this sunshine to continue."

"Should it be wet we will move in to the church. We look forward to seeing you."

May display

MAY Day celebrations will take place at Combe Farm, Axmouth, on Monday, May 3rd, from 2pm until 5pm.

Maypole dancing, singing and craft events will all be on display during the event.

Tea, cakes and refreshments will also be provided.

For more information contact Christina Bows on 01297 23822.

RNLI event

THE Seaton, Beer and District Branch of RNLI is to hold a quiz night at Beer Social Club on Saturday, May 1st.

Teams of four are invited to take part and the fee is £1 per person.

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The programme includes walks focusing on particular themes, bushcraft for youngsters and a nut detecting exercise.

The event is formally named Bluebell Day, and activities are free of charge apart from the bushcraft session - for which there is a small charge. Refreshments and cream teas will be available as well as a variety of craft stalls.

Free parking is available at Colyford Memorial Hall, from where a free shuttle minibus service will operate.

The dawn chorus and bat walk require prior booking and a free bus service is also available for these.

For more information or to book, phone EDDC's Countryside Service on 07814 477 422, 01395 517557 or alternatively email countryside@eastdevon.gov.uk.

Antique day charity event

AN antiques and valuation day will take place at Colyton Town Hall on Wednesday, April 28th.

The event has been organised by the Colyton and Colyford branch of Cancer Research UK, with the help of Bonhams auctioneers of Honiton.

Doors open at 2.30pm and the event will run until 4.30pm. Tickets cost £5 and include one valuation.

Growing publicity: front garden cover

By ANDERS LARSSON

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AN Axminster garden adorns the cover of a countywide promotional booklet.

The garden at Prospect House greets everyone who picks up a copy of this year's Devon Gardens booklet, published by The National Gardens Scheme (NGS).

Listed in the booklet are dates and locations for the organisation's gardens open for charity scheme this season.

The scheme is very strong in Devon and has consistently raised a lot of money for the NGS charities over the last few years.

Even last year, with such a difficult summer and the recession, the Devon group of gardens took their total to £118,000 - compared to £109,000 the previous year.

NGS Devon publicity officer Alan Davies said: "This helped the NGS to donate over £500,000 to both Macmillan Cancer Support and Marie Curie Cancer Care together with other donations to Crossroads, Help the Hospices and many other nursing, caring and gardening charities.

"We have printed 68,000 copies and they are being distributed to tourist information centres, garden centres, bookshops, libraries and other outlets across the county."

Prospect Garden owner Peter Wadeley has planned two open weekends this year, on July 10th and 11th and August 21st and 22nd.



◆ PROSPECT Garden owner Peter Wadeley

He would like to hear from garden owners in east Devon wishing to join the scheme, and says it could be larger gardens or a number of smaller ones coming together for an event.

He can be contacted on 01297 631 210 or wadeley@btinternet.com

Those wishing to order a copy of the booklet should send a stamped, addressed A5 envelope to: Edward

Allhusen, Devon NGS, Sutton Mead, Moretonhampstead, Devon TQ13, 8PW. Full details and pictures of all the gardens are also available online at www.ngs.org.uk

Gardeners to visit centre

MEMBERS of Axe Valley Centre (National Trust) are gearing up for a visit by Killerton gardeners.

The event is billed Killerton Garden Comes to Colyford and will be held in Colyford Memorial Hall.

Killerton Garden Nursery members will be in the hall on Saturday, May 8th selling their plants and shrubs.

Entry is free to this event, which runs from 10am-12noon, and a plant doctor will be on hand to discuss any related issues that visitors may have.

There will also be a bring and buy plant stall, and refreshments including a barbecue outside.

Last Saturday, April 24th the centre held a coffee morning also in Colyford Memorial Hall.

More information about the event is available online at www.nationaltrust.org.uk/killerton or from Michael Goodliff on 01297 552 137.

Village meet annual date

HEMYOCK annual parish meeting is set to take place on Friday, April 30th, from 7pm at Hemyock Village Hall.

Representatives from the Blackdown Healthy Living Centre in Hemyock, Tiverton and District Community Transport and the Blackdown Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty will all be giving presentations during the meeting.

Wine and cheese will also be on offer.

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◆ FROM left, Nick Richards, of Honiton Golf Club, and Eddie Farwell, of Children's Hospice South West

Golfers' great shot at raising charity funds

By ANDERS LARSSON

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THE 2009 captain of Honiton Golf Club, Nick Richards, is "staggered" at the amount raised for Children's Hospice South West during his year at the helm.

He praised all those who contributed to the £6,500 presented to the hospice during an event at the club on Thursday, April 15th.

Nick has been a supporter of Children's Hospice South West for many years and made it his chosen charity during his year as captain of the club.

The money will help the hospice to care for and support life-limited children and their families in the

region.

Nick said: "I, along with my wife Sarah, have been members of the East Devon friends group for the Children's Hospice South West for over 10 years.

"So when I was honoured to become the captain of Honiton Golf Club, choosing a charity was not a difficult decision.

"I am staggered by the total amount raised, and would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone at Honiton Golf Club for their generosity and support for this very worthy cause."

Children's Hospice South West chief executive Eddie Farwell and his late wife Jill, who had two life-limited children, set up the charity in

1991 and opened Little Bridge House in Barnstaple in September 1995.

Little Bridge House and Charlton Farm offer a real home-from-home environment, including a main living area that forms the heart and soul of each house, cosy lounges and a messy play room for carefree creativity.

It also offers a multi-sensory room with lights, sounds and textures to soothe and calm, a soft play area for safe, trouble-free fun and a jacuzzi for relieving stiff joints and muscle spasms.

The charity is in the process of raising funds through the Precious Lives Appeal to build a third children's hospice, in Cornwall, called Little Harbour — due to open in 2011.

Beat manager brands Stop a Thief scheme a success

A SCHEME set up just over a year ago to help reduce the number of burglaries to rural farms across Axminster, Honiton and Seaton has been described as a success by one of its instigators.

PC Clive Vickery, neighbourhood beat manager for Honiton rural, launched the 'Stop a Thief' scheme in April 2009.

It is a joint initiative with the National Farmers' Union, Devon and Cornwall Police and the East and Mid Devon Community Safety

Partnership.

As part of the scheme farmers can loan security equipment and farm alarms.

PC Vickery said: "Since we launched the scheme a year ago it has been very successful and well accepted by the local farming community.

"The alarms have been loaned and placed out to over 85 properties. This has helped to reduce burglaries, to educate local farmers on the benefits of securing their outbuildings and encourage them to update their own security

equipment.

"Within rural Honiton over the last 12 months non-dwelling burglaries to farm premises have decreased by 38 per cent.

Within rural east Devon we are keen to continue this success and hope to make our rural areas safer and deter criminals who think they can continue to steal high value farm equipment from these communities.

"I am still keen to hear from anybody interested in being loaned an alarm by contacting me direct at Honiton Police Station on 08452 777 555."

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Bunting bid success

AN appeal for help to replenish Axminster's stock of bunting has been described as "very successful".

It was in early March that tourist information centre (TIC) manager Sarah Crook - aided and abetted by town crier Nick Goodwin and other interested individuals - issued the appeal.

A quantity of the TIC's bunting went missing during the Tour of Britain and carnival double header last year.

But Sarah got hold of some material and invited members of the public to pick up triangular pieces, sew them together and return them to the TIC.

The response was huge and Sarah said:

"Lots of lovely people have helped." She didn't have the name of everyone but said Dorothy Stevenson deserved to be mentioned as she has completed at least 100 pieces of bunting.

Sarah also praised All Saints Quilters for offering to put the pieces onto strings.

The strings are currently made in lengths of five and 10 metres, and will be available for use by local organisations and event organisers in exchange for a donation to the TIC.

The church May fayre on May 1st will be the inaugural event for the new bunting.



◆ FROM left, Dr McKenna and Gary Wakley

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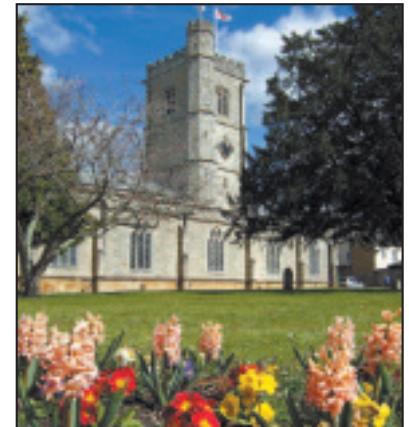
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In the editor's shoes

Written by
editorial manager
KATE ERIN MEW



Pleased to be stuck at work



SHH. I'm talking very quietly as I don't want to scare it off. But have you seen this sunshine?

It's hard to think that just a few weeks ago, all we could see out of our windows was rain, rain and more rain. It was wet, cold, muddy — and now look, glorious sunshine. Still a little on the chilly side, accepted, but I'm not complaining.

Mind you, I write this at the weekend so, by the time this is published on Tuesday morning, knowing our British climate, it is likely to have disappeared again by then!

When we were going through those terrible weeks (felt more like months) of wet weather recently, I was sent this picture by a reader. Karen Warburton sent me this fab pic of The Minster Church of St Mary the Virgin, Axminster, which was taken last spring. She sent it to remind me that spring was, honestly, just around the corner... and she was dead right.

Unfortunately, I didn't have space to publish it at that time but it definitely cheered me up and spurred me on, so thank you to you both.

Amid these gorgeous rays of sunlight, it is almost impossible to believe that the skies above have been smothered with ash clouds from the Icelandic volcano eruption which has caused so much disturbance to our air industry. With the flight ban now lifted, travellers continue to make their slow return home by whatever means possible.

You would be forgiven for thinking there could be worse places to be stuck than on a Caribbean island after a holiday, but it's the upheaval, stress and uncertainty of it all — not to mention the extra money it is costing many. I, for one, can think of few things worse than being stranded abroad, worried about how you are going to get home and when — and how much extra it is going to cost you.

Being quite a 'homebug', as my mum calls it, I like a holiday, of course, but not for too long and you're usually ready to come home when you've planned to. You don't expect, for an instant, that you could be stuck in a foreign country instead of getting back on that plane to British soil.

Added to that is the worry over what passengers are missing back home. Most should be at work or school and could be losing money and missing important events. Then there's those out on business trips plus the enormity of money lost in the air industry because of this catastrophe.

I really feel for all those passengers who have gone and are going through the trauma of struggling to get back home. And I can safely say I am, for once, glad I've been at work and not on holiday.

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Goodie bags and vouchers for children

TO celebrate the first season in its expanded premises, the Lily Brown shop invited all Beer Primary School children to enter an Easter competition.

The children responded to the challenge and made Easter cards which formed a colourful display in the shop window.

One child from each class won an Easter goodie bag and a £15 voucher to spend at the shop.

The winners were Lilly Chapple, Joshua Rodgers, Simon Davies and Phoebe Diepenbroek.

Wells happy with trading

A FORMER chamber of commerce leader was pleasantly surprised at the number of Axminster shops trading on Good Friday.

Fred Wells, who used to chair Axminster Chamber of Commerce, was out and about on Good Friday when he made his observations.

He stressed it was not a comprehensive count but he found at least 10 businesses trading.

He said: "My personal feeling is that we have to put the message out that Axminster is open on these days [bank holidays and weekends]."

He reported his observations during Axminster Chamber of Commerce's April meeting.

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Bakers scoop big deal with supermarket

By BEN MIDDLETON

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A HONITON bakery has just scooped a contract with Waitrose supermarkets in Sidmouth, Okehampton, Holsworthy, Crewkerne and Dorchester.

Devonvale Ltd will now provide a range of sliced snacks including hand baked cherry bakewell flapjacks, fruit cake and raspberry, blackcurrant and apple crumble slices, to the five stores.

Angela Cole, business development manager for Devonvale Ltd, said: "We supported the launch into the Waitrose stores with taster days, giving potential customers the chance to see, feel and taste the range."

"Feedback was outstanding with 97 per cent of customers saying how brilliant and tasty the slices were with most going back for seconds and more. Even more exciting for us was the fact that 89 per cent of those who tasted the slices went on to buy them."

Keith Upham, managing director and master baker at Devonvale, said: "Waitrose has been a pleasure to work with. At every level within the business Waitrose has a real

understanding about the importance of local produce for local people.

"Although it's early days, we've already seen a significant increase in sales since launching with Waitrose and we are eagerly looking forward to working with them to launch our snacks into more shops in the future.

"Currently we employ 12 people and anticipate with future growth to be able to increase the number of people at the bakery.

"We would also like to thank everyone for their continued support of our products, with special thanks to Waitrose for recognising a quality local product."

Talks between Devonvale Ltd and Waitrose first took place in 2008 when the Sidmouth Waitrose branch manager, Mark Shepherd, went to visit the bakery.

Mr Shepherd added: "I recognised right from the offset the potential with this artisan product, as the ethos and passion of Angela and Keith was translated into these unique cakes and slices.

"It's great to be able to stock these great products, and it seems that I'm not the only fan - they've been extremely popular with our customers and are simply flying off the shelves."



◆ CUSTOMER Ian Pitman using the ramp, and driver Richard Payne

Taxi man brings taste of The Smoke to town

AN Axminster taxi company has brought a taste of London to Devon.

Payne's Premier Travel recently increased its fleet by taking delivery of a black London-style cab.

It comes with a wheelchair ramp, and disabled passengers can be driven to their destination sitting in their wheelchair.

Company owner Richard Payne said: "During our first year of trading we identified a clear need for a vehicle that can accommodate wheelchairs.

"To use the black cab seemed the ideal solution, combining easy access with being instantly recognisable.

"Whilst we have always endeavoured to accommodate travellers who are less able, we feel that the ramp access for wheelchairs really does now allow us to offer an enhanced level of service."

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A delightful experience

EDITOR — Well done on your poem in the *Pulman's View* edition of April 13th by Vanda Godfrey.

However, from a completely different angle there are many things we are blessed with in Seaton especially the choice and variety of our local shops.

Recently my husband was in hospital, now cured thankfully, and he usually does the day to day heavier shopping as I am disabled.

But I took over and was highly delighted. Everywhere I went, including the pet shop, my usual friendly chat with Tony and Ellie, the Paper Chain card shop, Jason Collins the greengrocers, the Post Office, CostCutter, Byrne-Jones — and I could go on, I was served in a friendly and very efficient way.

I called on the butchers G W Meats and said my husband who usually comes here, you know, the one with the bald head. They knew who I meant immediately and the lady assistant was able to quote the type and weight of joint he often buys, and sent her best wishes to him after she heard of his illness.

And as ever I enjoyed the poetry written on the blackboard outside their shop written by accomplished poet and butcher Mr Salter.

His poems, often humorous, are fabulous a veritable Seaton attraction.

I ask you, who could not patronise the wonderful Seaton shops?

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Drivers face pothole hell

EDITOR — On Wednesday, April 7th whilst driving towards Dunkeswell I hit a pothole.

Nothing unusual there except this one was more like a ditch.

Within seconds of my mishap another car came to grief and later on that same day a third car was damaged and other cars had also been damaged earlier in the week.

I know it's impossible for the district council to repair every pothole the moment they appear but this was a very deep one and very dangerous particularly for bikers.

When I looked for my hubcap I found 15 of them in the ditch so that was an indicator of the state of the road.

It would be interesting to know of other drivers who had come to grief at this spot which was along Limers Lane just by the turning to Wolford Chapel?

I must thank a very kind young man from Dunkeswell who came to my assistance. Who said the age of chivalry was dead?

Helen Case
Lyme Regis

Fight to save 'mothers' right' is taken to chiefs

EDITOR — I am writing to express my views with regards to the cuts that are being made at the Honiton Maternity Unit.

This is a letter I have sent to Tracey Reeves, head of midwifery at Exeter.

I feel these are not only my views but also the majority of expectant, new mums and families within east Devon.

I do not understand how you can make such a huge decision to cut the services at this hospital when by far it is working very well and has done for the last 15 years since its refurbishment.

I am fortunate enough — and may have been the last — to have received the wonderful service Honiton provides within the last eight weeks.

This was with my second child and I had a straightforward labour.

The midwives and nurses were fantastic — as always — and even though this was my second I still needed some guidance with feeding and bathing (its all easily forgotten).

I stayed two nights which was

enough for me to get my head around going home, coping with the pains, tiredness and generally getting used to having my new little baby.

How can you make these proposed changes?

I understand women will be sent home in as little as three hours after giving birth.

I also believe the unit will only be open from 8am to 8pm and after these hours midwives will be on call at their home?

These cuts will cause problems and a lot more expenses in the future than if you were to leave well alone.

You don't break things that are not broken in the first place.

We don't get a lot from our taxes so don't cut one of the only assets we help pay towards.

I understand, I may be wrong, that the staff were first made aware of this by way of a memo or letter?

How can you not have consulted staff before such a decision is made?

On an emotional level I feel very strongly that many women being sent

straight home — even after a longer period of maybe 12 hours — from Exeter and Honiton may suffer postnatal depression and very low moods.

After my first child — who I also had in Honiton — I stayed in for four days after having her.

Yet still I got home and found it all too much.

I was very lucky at this time to have supportive midwives and health visitors to support me.

If I had been sent home earlier I may not have coped so well.

The midwives, doctors and health visitors are all going to be pulled from every angle and feel pressured to be there for all the new mums but how can they be?

For example how can a midwife be at someone's home at 2am if they are having trouble breastfeeding or settling their new baby — who may only be a few hours old?

They won't be able to, and if they do get called, the midwives' family will be disturbed.

I could say 90 per cent of women

wouldn't call the midwife as they would feel guilty disturbing her and by morning would then be emotionally exhausted.

If they had the aftercare at Honiton this could be avoided and new mums shown and given guidance to this sort of example before leaving.

I could go on and on, on this subject. It would be good if you could give some answers.

I'm sure you have heard of Facebook?

Have a look at the group being put together to protest at these cut backs, and also the emotional stories of each mum who is supporting the group.

I believe there are more than 2,000 supporters and it is still growing daily.

Maybe you would like to meet us and answer some of our questions and concerns?

Please listen to us and save Honiton Maternity Unit after-care service.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Louise Bennett
Honiton

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Empty shops in ghost town

EDITOR — Regarding the Business Suite in Seaton; why can't the empty Co-op premises be used on Fore Street instead of building on Harepath Road which is out of the centre of our town?

We have too many empty shops. Visitors say we're a town of charity shops and it resembles a ghost town with properties boarded up.

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Coward runs over a kitten

EDITOR — We have just received a phone call, at 8.30pm on Wednesday, April 14th, advising us that our kitten had been knocked over and had unfortunately passed away.

Firstly I would like to say a big thank you to the kind neighbours who made this call from Rosemount Close.

And secondly I would like to say a big thank you to the coward who hit our kitten and failed to stop. This incident took place down Rosemount Hill, Honiton.

I cannot understand how you can screech your brakes and then drive off — you obviously know you hit our beautiful black and white kitten — words cannot describe how angry we are with you.

We are not unrealistic and know accidents happen and had talked about the busy road behind us before getting Jessie but it would have been made a little easier had you stopped, looked at her collar and called us.

I do hope you feel hugely guilty — if not for me and my husband but for our daughter, nearly 3 years old, and think about how we have had to tell her the news that she will not be able to grow up with her kitten and play anymore.

L Bennett
Honiton

What change are politicians referring to before election?

EDITOR — Is someone trying to tell us something?

During an election when politicians are urging that it is time for 'a change' what sort of change?

As far as can be ascertained 'a change' means a fairer society.

Yet these same politicians are stuck in the 1890s while supporting the 21st century lifestyle.

Education, education, education nothing new in that except the Victorians did something about it. Free schooling for all was their aim and very successful they were.

Previously illiterate children emerged able to read and add up.

This could not be achieved without cost. Cost to the general public who paid for and benefited from the stream of newly competent young

people.

On the whole the taxpayers accepted the need for free education.

At this moment thousands of school children are marooned in far off countries due to the air traffic crisis.

We see on our screens dozens of well-heeled families coping with the privations and disruption encountered by those who can afford to spend large sums of money on a family holiday for 10 days in the sun.

There are many more families left at home who cannot pay for such luxuries.

Yet — every year they receive an envelope marked Council Tax which, in many cases, they have to struggle to pay.

A considerable proportion of this tax is spent on education.

We have moved on since the Victorians instituted free education for the children from families barely earning a living wage who needed financial support from the better off to improve their lot.

We Elizabethans now impose oppressive taxes on the poor so that the better off can afford a lifestyle regardless of the cost of their children's education based on a 150 year old concept.

Of course the politicians' nightmare, political suicide, would result from any party radical enough to propose the introduction of school fees which is why we are where we are.

But could not the aim of a fairer society be accommodated without too much pain?

How would a system of assessing the annual value in educational cost terms each child received according to the school he attended?

This benefit could be added to the parent's income and expressed as income tax.

We already know parents are willing to move to expensive areas in the hope that their children may receive a better education.

The further advantage of this scheme is that all parents would get involved in monitoring their child's progress.

Surely such a course should not be impossible for introduction by an administration who already charges the sick for their medicine?

Eric A Blackman
Axminster

Guides hold an exhibition

EDITOR — AXE Valley Girl Guides held an exhibition of Girl Guide, Brownie and Sea Ranger's Memorabilia recently.

Uniforms over the years were on display together with hundreds of beautifully presented photographs.

There was also a wonderful display of badges and newspaper cuttings covering many guiding events over the years.

Now another, younger, generation of leaders who are equally committed to give young girls such a wonderful grounding and are themselves fantastic role models.

Personally, I think every prospective Member of Parliament should have belonged to the Scouts or Guide Association. Our country would be in much safer hands as each child is brought up to look out for each other and not just for self, plus honesty and common sense.

Hilary Mabon
Seaton

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Greatest assets to a town are its citizens

EDITOR — Recently I was at a very well attended meeting in Seaton Town Hall, organised by the Seaton's Voice group, which was very ably chaired by Carol Manley.

The object being to acquaint us with its progress with regard to the ongoing negotiations within our district council about the use and eventual return of the town hall to its rightful owners.

It was immediately obvious that a great deal of work had already been done and with people and organisations unstintingly offering their help and skills, much had already been achieved in their drive towards this goal.

Many of us will remember a meeting in the town hall some time ago when our mayor asked the people of the town to take on the burden of trying to make it a viable proposition and much to their credit a number of people came forward to try to

cope with this onerous task.

Now another chance has arrived and with the group's leadership, determination and business plan, the district councils offered help.

With the backing of the town council and the community at large, we may at last once more own our town hall with all the advantages and possibilities that would accrue from such an endeavour.

So, let's do what our newly formed chamber of commerce is trying to do and what our football team is doing at the moment, sitting on top of their league and already almost out of sight of their rivals, and go for it.

As Mr Chris Byrne-Jones stated in his letter to the press a short while ago, Seaton's greatest asset is indeed its citizens.

John Seward,
Seaton

Thank you for charity support

EDITOR — We would like to thank everyone who supported our coffee morning on the 8th April in the church rooms, Axminster.

We managed to raise £226 for the Alzheimer's Society.

This money will help people living with dementia and their carers.

In the past people didn't want to talk about dementia, like cancer used to be years ago.

However we are told that dementia is on the increase, the people that are living with this illness and their carers need as much support and understanding as possible.

Dementia is not a single illness but a group of symptoms caused by damage to the brain.

The symptoms include loss of memory, mood changes and confusion. Dementia can be caused by a number of different medical conditions, including Alzheimer's disease.

The Alzheimer's Society are leading the fight against dementia, the money raised on Thursday is very much appreciated so thank you.

Liz Purvey
Axminster

Lucky to have police assistance

EDITOR — Devon and Cornwall Police have been kind enough to provide traffic management for events for so many years — Pulman's View edition March 30th.

Here in Fleet, Hampshire, the police withdrew from such assistance more than 10 years ago.

The annual carnival and Fleet half-marathon organisers are required to negotiate road closure orders with the police and district council.

Then they must publicise such closures — even if only for 30 minutes — a month in advance with road signs along the affected routes and surrounding roads likely to be affected.

Then on the day of the event the organisers have to man the traffic diversion routes and marshal the processions.

Still at least it stops it becoming a police state, leaving power to the people.

Doug Morgan
Fleet

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District council hits back at calls for smaller store

EAST Devon District Council (EDDC) has hit back at campaigners who are calling for the Sainsbury's store in Ottery St Mary to be reduced in size.

Sainsbury's was granted permission to build a 20,000 sqft supermarket in the Hind Street area of Ottery.

Members of campaign group Sustainable Ottery have said the size of the store should be reduced to 10,000 sqft.

However, Paul Diviani, chairman of the EDDC development management committee, has said the full size store will help bring trade to the town and will keep people in Ottery.

He said: "Planning will always be contentious as, by its very nature, there always have to be winners and losers. Our remit is to determine applications in line with national, regional, district-wide and local policies and aspirations.

"In the case of a town, for example, we also have regard for the town's position as a local centre for its immediate hinterland and beyond.

"In this particular case, our retail consultants had recommended a similar size store to the Town Mill site (50 per cent less than the Hind Street application). Our experience tells us that once a store is in place and proves popular (as I am sure the

first one of this brand in the district will be) it will overtrade and be subject to a second application to increase the size.

"In the process you can easily lose design benefits that are apparent in this application."

As previously reported in this newspaper, hundreds of people attended a special EDDC development management committee meeting at The Institute on Thursday, April 15th. Many of those who attended spoke out against the supermarket plans.

However, there were several speakers who welcomed the Sainsbury's plan to build in Ottery.

Mr Diviani said: "The majority of members were persuaded that a smaller store would not stop the well documented leakage of the shoppers of Ottery St Mary and its hinterland to other centres in the district, county and beyond, whereas the approved store would be of a sufficient size to reverse that dispiriting trend.

"Among the speakers there were those who positively welcomed this application, especially amongst the town's shopkeepers."

Mr Diviani added: "Whilst you expect a big player to inflict some damage on local shops, one that attracts increased new trade will benefit the local offering, especially when linked as well as Hind Street is to the shopping centre."



◆ FROM left, Martin King (Rotary Club of Axminster), Freddie Knight (Axminster & District Lions Club), Ron Jones (Axminster mayor), Tiggy Parry (HALFF), Tim Maddams (River Cottage Canteen)

HALFF shop is fully open

UNDER the slogan of No HALFF Measures, Health and Local Food for Families officially opened up shop in Axminster.

The opening took place in the South Street shop on Wednesday, April 21st.

River Cottage Canteen head chef Tim Maddams had been invited to say a few words and declare the shop open.

HALFF is all about growing food, cooking food and eating food.

Mr Maddams said about HALFF and its operation: "To have made it this far is a massive achievement. What mustn't happen now is for that to end."

HALFF's main aims are:

• To improve the health of families in

East Devon, South Somerset and West Dorset particularly, but not exclusively, by the provision of appropriate education on healthy eating.

• To improve knowledge of good quality local food producers and suppliers.

• To improve access to good quality food — local where possible.

The aims are achieved through a variety of initiatives, including free, monthly cookery demonstrations in Axminster and Chard for parents of babies and toddlers. More information about HALFF is available from the shop in South Street or online at www.halff.org.uk.

Primary scores top marks from Ofsted

By BEN MIDDLETON

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A VILLAGE school near Honiton has a double reason to celebrate this week.

Payhembury Church of England Primary School was recently visited by Ofsted inspectors and Anglican inspectors and scored top marks in both inspection reports.

Lead inspector for Ofsted Mike Burghart said: "The outstanding vision and ambition of the headteacher and chair of governors was described as inspirational.

The report said: "Both are determined to achieve the absolute best for all members of their community. The energy and

teamwork which results in theory and intentions being turned into practice to the benefit of pupils' learning. The track record which has been established, particularly in the very effective monitoring of teaching, development assessment procedures and the use made of data to set challenging targets underpins a good capacity for future improvement."

In the report from Anglican inspectors, the partnership between the headteacher and chair of governors was described as inspirational.

The report said: "Both are determined to achieve the absolute best for all members of their community. The energy and

attractiveness of their vision is contagious and has been enthusiastically and yet thoughtfully embraced by school staff.

"Christian values thread through the comments made by the head about her school. For example, the humility impact in her firm statement that the success achieved by the school is due to the dedication and love for the children of her entire team."

Penny Carvill, headteacher at Payhembury, said: "I am immensely proud to be the headteacher of this wonderful school with fabulous children and staff. It has been an exciting period of change and development over the last few years.

"I was thrilled that we have been

able to demonstrate our open, friendly welcoming school community, which is clearly at the heart of our village."

Rev Cate Edmonds, chair of governors at the school, added: "I am delighted with the result of these two inspections, the school deserves such recognition. The headteacher, staff and children have worked incredibly hard to establish a wonderful school with excellent results, well embedded core values developed from their Christian tradition and a marvellous family ethos and creative environment.

"In a nutshell I am so proud to be both parish priest and chair of governors for Payhembury Church of England Primary School."

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country scene

Written by countryside correspondent

TONY JACKSON



Herons can be a menace to pond fish

THIS morning, as I was eating my cornflakes for breakfast, a knock at the door revealed a harassed-looking neighbour bearing a tale of woe.

He has, it seems, a garden pond full of koi carp. Correction ... now minus one carp, the result of a dawn raid by a heron. The bird was seen, at around 5am, standing up to its belly in water, as it waited for its breakfast to appear and, later, fish scales were discovered on the bank.

Now koi carp can be extremely valuable and my friend wondered on the best course of action. Obviously a protected bird, no hostile move can be made against the heron itself and deterrence is the only answer.

Heron can be an absolute menace where domestic fish are concerned as I know only too well. Last year, a score of goldfish were killed in my garden pond, leaving one petrified survivor, and I have decided not to release any more fish to feed the local heronry. I tried using, as a deterrent, a plastic model of a heron but this, as far as I could see, merely attracted the raider and I suppose I should have put a net across the water, but felt that this would look unattractive.

However, the only advice I could offer my distraught friend was to try a similar move. Herons, handsome as they are, as dawn raiders can be an absolute menace where garden ponds are concerned.

Meanwhile, staying with the bird front, I hear that there have been a number of sightings of red kites, with single birds seen flying over Beer Head on April 11th and over Blackhole Marsh the following day.

It will, I fancy, not be long before we have nesting kites in the Westcountry, an overspill from the scores of birds in the Chilterns. Currently, we have only a pair of swallows, where normally I would have expected to have acted as host to two or three pairs, but perhaps numbers will soon be supplemented. However, there seem to be numerous chaffinches as evidenced by their repetitive calls.

I have yet to hear one, but a friend rang on April 18th to say that she had heard a cuckoo calling. For once, in the light of the late spring, the bird has arrived just as the Lady Smock or Cuckoo plant has disclosed its pale pink and purple flowers to fulfil its common name.

But have any other readers heard the cuckoo yet? I heard only one last year and none in the previous two years. Nor have I seen much in the way of butterflies, other than the odd brimstone and tortoiseshell for, despite the glorious sunny days, a bitter, chill wind from the north has offered little encouragement to these insects.

Now, if you'd like to learn more about aspects of wildlife and how to record it, a series of free workshops is being organised by Dorset Wildlife Trust (DWT) this summer for volunteers who would like to assist in monitoring Dorset's bees, wasps, wild orchids, grasses and heathland species.

The only caveat is that volunteers who attend the free workshops put their knowledge to good use by sending species records to enable DWT and the Dorset Environmental Records Centre to gather vital information on the status of local wildlife.

A workshop on grasses will be held at Kingcombe Meadows on May 27th; on orchids at Fontmell Down on June 19th; on heathland species at Higher Hyde Heath, near Wool, on July 2nd and on bees and wasps on July 18th at the Urban Wildlife Centre, Corfe Mullen and further workshops will be added during the summer. To book contact DWT on 01305 264620.



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View from
the churches



REV Linda Chester, Methodist Minister starts this week with, sadly, a very topical, true story.

She said: "All the best laid plans of mice and men..." is often quoted but not often experienced to such an extent the world has witnessed over these past days.

"Who would have thought that a volcano erupting in far away Iceland would have a major effect on the world's flight plans? It's not just over Great Britain and Ireland and northern Europe but people are stranded as far away as Beijing and Tokyo. Plans for weddings, family occasions, holidays and business travel have been thrown into chaos.

"I was due to lead 28 people on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land last weekend. All the planning and preparation was in place — my suitcase packed and ready to go. Things beyond our human control remind us of our vulnerability within the cycle of nature.

"We may be 'fearfully and wonderfully made' (Psalm 139) but we cannot always do what we choose. A steep learning curve and the great blessing of being safe."

I have returned from a post-Easter family break in Berlin, luckily just before everything closed down!

Next, to some helpful news — before Parliament was dissolved, Francis Maude received a parliamentary written answer from David Lammy, Minister of State at the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills, on the use of recorded music in divine service (including occasional offices) by the Church of England. Lammy replied that the proposed changes to the current charitable statutory exemptions for the public

performance of recorded and broadcast music will apply to music used in divine worship. However, Phonographic Performance Limited (PPL) has agreed on a voluntary exemption for the use of broadcast and recorded music as part of divine worship anywhere. This will also apply to all religious ceremonies and domestic or family occasions such as wedding parties. Legislation awaits the new Parliament.

Still on parliamentary matters of a sort, the body sometimes described as the church's parliament, the General Synod of the Church of England. The General Synod too has an election in September this year for its 378 lay and clerical members. The church has produced a DVD extolling the virtues of Synod membership, and tries to respond to the comment "Synod has no relevance to me".

In response, the DVD asks, Are you interested in how the Church of England spends its money? Are you interested in how the clergy are treated? Are you interested in the mission and ministry of the church?

The response is that the General Synod is where these things happen. Nomination papers are available from July 20th to be returned by September 3rd; elections follow in September and October and the new Synod meets in London on November 22nd-24th.

Enquiries to 01392 294920, and there will be hustings meetings in Devon before the election. There is also the following website for reference www.generalsynodelections2010.org.

The Archbishop of Canterbury says: "A healthy and mature church is one where everyone feels they have a voice. Synod needs our voices."

And east Devon has just had its own hustings in preparation for the

Parliamentary election in May. It was good that churches in Axminster and Seaton were the venue for these meetings which were attended by all candidates for the local constituency.

Everything seems to be happening in May. The newly-elected officers of all churches in Exeter Diocese are called to a visitation by their local Archdeacon to be welcomed to their offices and in east Devon this means on Thursday, May 6th at Exeter Cathedral or on Tuesday, May 18th at St George's Church, Tiverton — both at 7.30pm — all are welcome to these services.

Every last Sunday in the month from 3-4pm at Throgmorton Hall, Highfield, Dunkeswell, ordinary folk will speak about their personal experiences of God on the theme God Cares. Enquiries to 01823 681169. The next date is May 30th and monthly to November.

A last word from Ray Hunter, of Axminster Christian Fellowship: "As a young boy growing up with an interest in all things musical I enjoyed listening to a certain African-American spiritual song, the first line of which went, 'Them bones, them bones, them dry bones, now hear the word of the Lord.'

"Later on in life I found out these words were from a prophecy in the book of Ezekiel in the Old Testament. The dry bones were the people of Israel who were in exile and God was speaking to them about bringing them back to their own land, and used words like, I will put flesh, sinew and skin onto these dry bones and put my Spirit within you, and breathe life into you.

"Do these words resonate with us today as we consider our own nation?"



◆ HONITON Round Table members during the recent annual meeting

New Round Table chairman steps in

HONITON Round Table's new chairman is Richard Steggall, who took over from Kevin Hunt during the group's annual meeting in March.

The meeting was held on March 31st at The Awliscombe Inn, with Gez Lovell voted in as vice-chairman

and Martin Davies as president.

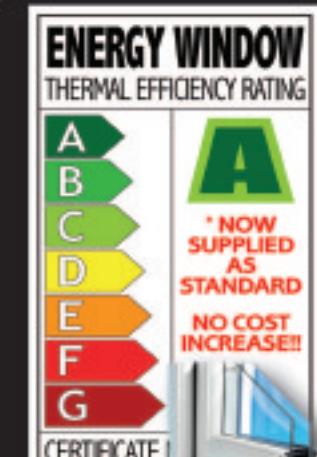
The round table movement is described by the Honiton section as "an organisation for men that meet on regular occasions in order to further friendships, add something to their local community through participation or support and enjoy a

range of life-broadening experiences".

Full membership is limited to those between the ages of 18 and 45.

Local businessmen started the Honiton table in 1948, and it is one of 13 tables in Devon which together form Area 19.

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Parties hold a discussion over a cafe

A MEETING was held on April 7th at Axminster Hospital to decide if there was a need for a memory cafe in Axminster.

Representatives from the NHS, nursing staff working at the Coneybeare Day Centre, Axminster Seniors' Forum, Rotary, Alzheimer's, Peter Smart and David Light, who had joined the Axminster Seniors' Forum at its last meeting and spoke about setting up the memory cafe, were present.

There were apologies from Age Concern, Axminster Care Services and Axminster Lions.

After Mr Light opened the meeting a discussion was held by all parties and it was felt a memory cafe would be ideal for Axminster.

It was to be informal, friendly and informative.

There would be a Community Psychiatric Nurse for one hour to offer advice to anyone who was concerned they might have the signs of dementia as well as advice for carers.

There would be literature on subjects

such as where to obtain help from the NHS or any funding that might be available.

Tea and coffee would be available and there would be time to chat to others in the same situation.

It was envisaged that the cafe might take place once a month to begin with.

A co-ordinator was the first priority and Peter Smart stepped forward to take up the post.

Having worked as a nurse, a Redcoat and was now going around to nursing homes entertaining the residents, it was felt he had much to offer.

He would organise the setting up of the memory cafe and volunteers.

Axminster Senior's Forum was to take on the overall supporting role of the cafe itself.

It will take at least two months to get everything sorted out and up and running but everyone felt it would be worthwhile.

Anyone who would like to be involved and help in somehow should contact Peter Smart on either 01297 35144 or 07717534871.

Institute gathering very well attended

THE April Meeting of the Honiton Afternoon Women's Institute was attended by 19 members and three visitors.

The Spring Group Meeting was held at Feniton and deemed a great success by the members who attended.

The speaker was Marion Scott who talked of her life in Sierra Leone which everyone found illuminating.

The talk was followed by a raffle and refreshment. Member Christine Broom came third in the competition for decorated cup cakes.

The speaker this month was Mr Cotton who spoke of his work with the RSPB. He explained where to place nesting boxes and bird feeders.

The RSPB also run its own boat trips on the River Exe for bird watching and even on the Seaton Tramways at certain times.

ShelterBox talk informs at bi-monthly meeting

Colyton and Colyford Probus Club held its bi-monthly meeting at The Wheelwright when members heard a most interesting talk by David Guy of the ShelterBox Trust.

He told members about the foundation of the trust by Tom Henderson, a member of Helston-Lizard Rotary Club, and now supported by Rotary Clubs throughout the world.

The charity helps displaced persons in more than 40 countries.

Each box, which costs £490 delivered, provides a tent for 10 people, plus many items such as a cooking stove, tools, water purification and importantly a

children's pack.

The club learnt that 90 per cent of income, all donated, goes on getting the boxes and its contents to disaster victims and only 10 per cent on administration which is a very high proportion of aid therefore going to those who need it.

And still today ShelterBox is administered by the Rotary Club of Helston-Lizard in Cornwall.

Members agreed it was a very informative talk and member Bill Waterworth gave a well deserved vote of thanks.

The next meeting of Colyton and Colyford Probus Club is on Tuesday, April 27th.

Read the paper for free online
www.axminster-today.co.uk

Women enjoy an historical evening despite electrics

SOON after the start of the Phoenix Ladies' April meeting at the United Reform Church Hall the members were plunged into relative dimness due to an electrical fault which was not easily rectified.

This was unfortunate for speaker John Allen as he had hoped to give a slide show and talk on the village of Tintinhull where his family had worked as farriers, wheelwrights and blacksmiths for several generations.

Mr Allen kindly agreed to carry on using his display of early photographs, albums and receipt books to augment his informative talk.

Instead of breaking up this remarkable collection Mr Brian Knight of Chard Museum was contacted and a unique record of the heritage was subsequently

Tintinhull was a traditional Saxon village with a green, clamping post and originally a pond all surrounded by a profusion of ancient cider orchards most of which have now sadly disappeared.

The group was told that Mr Allen's great grandfather, one of 13 children, had started work as an apprentice blacksmith.

With his uncle he accumulated a wealth of tools, billboards, newspaper cuttings and memorabilia all of which, after documentation, filled three silage trailers.

Members were also told that a new memory cafe will start shortly, one day a month, at the URC hall to support folk with memory loss.

The next meeting will be on May 12th at 7.30pm when Miranda Allhusen will give a talk on the National Garden Scheme.

put on display 27 years ago for all to appreciate.

The museum will re-open on May 1st. To date there have been a staggering 50,000 visitors.

The ladies were also given some dates for future events.

There will be a meal out at Sidmouth on Friday, May 24th lifts for non-drivers required and then a trip to Poole via a craft centre on Monday, June 7th.

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Celebration of 55 years

COLYTON and Colyford group of Cancer Research UK are having an antiques valuation, by Bonhams of Honiton, and cream tea afternoon to celebrate 55 years of fundraising in the area.

The event will take place on Wednesday, April 28th in the town hall in Colyton at 2.30pm to 5pm.

Entrance will be £5 which will include one valuation.

Tickets are available from Wilkies, Market Square, Colyton or by calling Joan on 01297 552670, Pam on 01297 552392 or Maureen on 01297 552851.

The group's annual meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 5th at 7.30pm in the town hall, Colyton. All are welcome.

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This year we've added some exciting new meals, made recipe improvements to others, and kept all the old favourites just the way our customers like them – our Head Chef, Phil Rimmer, is happy to tell you more: "We've got some great new options to enjoy this season, but the biggest news is our new Hearty range for bigger appetites. Pork, Cider & Apple Casserole is just one of the eight new recipes we've developed especially for those customers who like their meals just that little bit bigger. We've also added tasty new options to our standard menu like Chicken a la King and Steak & Mushroom Casserole, as well as two deliciously fruity new desserts for the warmer months - Strawberry Gateau and Lemon Meringue Pie. And it's not just new meal ideas that have been keeping us busy - we've made improvements to a number of recipes, including Chicken & Vegetable Casserole and Spaghetti Bolognese. So whatever gets your mouth watering, and however big or small your appetite, we've got some-

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ME Awareness Week 2010

M.E. Awareness Week in 2010 falls between 9 - 15 May.

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The Group's activities are centred on providing information about the illness, a Benefits Advisory Service, advice on Welfare Support and a range of social and other activities to encourage the rehabilitation of its members. A twice-yearly Newsletter is distributed to members and an Annual Medical Lecture is organised with speakers of national standing.

The Group operates a series of local "Link Groups", set up across the county, and immediately adjoining areas, to provide a focal point for CFS/ME sufferers and carers in their own localities.

If you require more information about the work of the Group and its activities, please contact our Group Administrator on 01305777670 or go to www.dmesg.org.uk

On Sunday May 9th there will be Open House and Gardens at Thistlegate House, Axminster Road, Charmouth, DT6 6BY, in aid of Dorset ME Support Group. There will be stalls, games and cream teas in the garden from 2.00 to 5.00pm. Admission £2.50 (50p for children and carers free).

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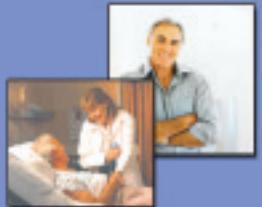
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Michelle Hague

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Our aim at The Koppers is to promote independence, privacy and dignity within a therapeutic and caring environment. The home is managed by its owners, Mr and Mrs Baksh, who are both qualified psychiatric nurses and have long experience in the care of service users with mental health needs. With the help of dedicated and caring staff, the service users receive care over 24 hours in a very homely and secure environment.

There are 6 new single bedrooms with en-suite facilities, some with shower/ wet room. All rooms are close to bathrooms and toilets. Each room has a washbasin, good ventilation, natural and domestic light and is maintained to a comfortable temperature by radiators. All rooms are fitted with a call bell system and all accommodation complies with the Minimum Standards. Service users are encouraged to bring personal belongings into the home; pictures, photo's to hang in their rooms and any furniture or ornaments to personalise their rooms, thus enabling a physical link with their home to be maintained.

The gardens and grounds at The Koppers are a pleasure; where residents can enjoy lovely lawns, flower beds, shrubberies and terraces.

The newly extended conservatory provides an extra sitting area overlooking the wonderful views of the garden



and the village, for the service users and visitors

At The Koppers we provide a range of activities including outings, a walk in the village, including wheelchair users as well, sing-a-long, bingo, quizzes etc. We pride ourselves on our excellent home cooking; we provide nourishing and varied four weekly menus from Summer and Winter. Meals are prepared from fresh produce purchased locally. Special diets are catered for.

Come and see for yourself we are proud to show visitors around. If you wish to see the best in residential care for the confused elderly just telephone to arrange a visit. We understand that people like to have a talk, well before they decide to place a relative at The Koppers, so you will not feel under any obligation. We look forward to meeting you.

To arrange a visit or enquiries please telephone the home on 01297 32427 and ask for Vivian Baksh, The registered manager/proprietor.



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The proprietors Vivian and Deen B are both qualified psychiatric nurses and have devoted most of their nursing career to elderly care. They have owned and run a successful residential home in Bridport for over seventeen years.

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Property View

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Superbly presented with annexe potential

SITUATED in a convenient location in Kilmington is this well presented four bedroom chalet style bungalow which would ideally suit a family due to the spacious accommodation on offer.

On entering the property a large, long entrance hall gives access to all rooms on the ground floor which briefly comprises of a downstairs double bedroom, shower room, study and a lovely conservatory extension enjoying a pleasant aspect over the well stocked garden.

On the first floor there are three double bedrooms and a family bathroom with a jacuzzi corner bath. The property benefits from ample stor-

age with two bedrooms having built in wardrobes and with further storage available in the eaves which can be accessed from the master bedroom and landing.

There are pretty gardens to the front and rear with a long tarmacadam driveway providing ample parking, this in turn leads to the attached tandem double garage which could easily be converted into an annexe for a dependant relative. This property must be viewed to fully appreciate the accommodation it offers. £379,950. For more information call Morgan York on 01297 33375.



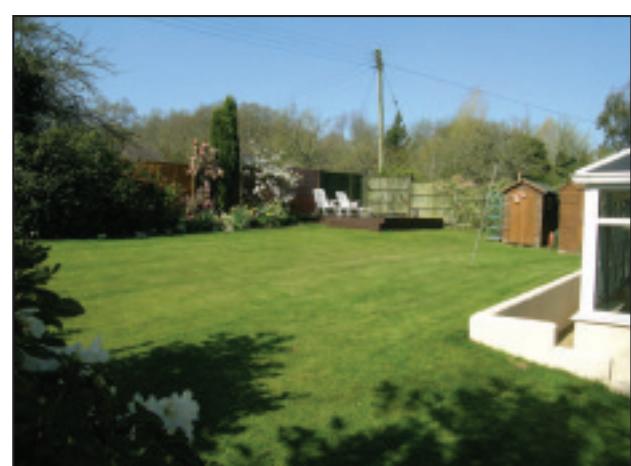
Town centre period property that's as good as new!

SYMONDS & Sampson are offering for sale a three bedroom double fronted period house which has been comprehensively modernised to a very high standard.

The property has been fitted with gas central heating, new quality kitchen with integral appliances, double glazing and new bathroom and downstairs shower room.

The light, balanced and flexible accommodation also offers three bedrooms, two receptions, a utility area and a pretty enclosed garden to the rear.

It has been decorated throughout in neutral colours including new carpets, tiled and vinyl flooring. This is a house as good as new! It is offered for sale with a guide price of £220,000 and for further information contact Symonds and Sampson on 01297 33122 www.symondsandsampson.co.uk



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**KILMINGTON**

Well appointed two bedroom attached unfurnished character cottage. To include conservatory, kitchen, utility, sitting/dining room, bathroom, E.N.S.H., parking, garden areas with greenhouses. No DSS/smokers. Pets/children considered. Available Mid May.

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Ref: 33926

**HONITON**

Brand new one bedroom maisonette in a convenient location close to Honiton town centre and railway station. Open plan kitchen/living room, bathroom, fully carpeted, bicycle storage, communal courtyard/drying area, G.F.C.H. No pets/smokers. Available Immediately.

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Ref: 38747

**HONITON**

A recently refurbished delightful character cottage within easy walking distance of the town centre. Sitting room, kitchen/diner, ground floor bathroom, two double bedrooms, G.F.C.H., garden. Children considered. No pets/DSS/smokers. Available Mid June.

£550 Per calendar month

Ref: 38537

**HONITON**

Attractive two bedroom unfurnished town centre cottage to let with gardens on salt/wive months plus tenancy. To include sitting/dining room, fitted kitchen, bathroom, G.F.C.H. No DSS/pets/smokers. Available Immediately.

£575 Per calendar month

Ref: 38272

**COLYTON**

Modern three bedroom link detached unfurnished house to let. Cloakroom, sitting room, kitchen/diner, bathroom, gardens, garage, parking. G.F.C.H., double glazed. Pets/children considered. Available Immediately.

£650 Per calendar month

Ref: 34212

**SEATON**

A well appointed detached three bedroom house within easy reach of the town centre and seashore. Includes entrance hall, kitchen/diner, sitting room, utility, cloakroom, three bathrooms, garage, parking, gardens, G.F.C.H. No DSS. One small pet/children considered. Available End of May.

£995 Per calendar month

Ref: 34128

**UPOTTERY**

A two bedroom unfurnished cottage to let in a popular village location. To include sitting room, kitchen, bathroom, E.N.S.H., garden (gardener included) and parking. Oil fired Rayburn. No pets/children. Available Immediately.

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Ref: 34186

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A modern three bedroom unfurnished town house, situated within new development close to town centre. Cloakroom, sitting/dining room, kitchen with appliances, en-suite, bathroom, courtyard garden, allocated parking, G.F.C.H. No pets, children considered. Available Immediately.

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Ref: 34284

**HONITON**

An unfurnished two bedroom cottage to let within Honiton town centre. Sitting room, kitchen/dining room, bathroom, G.F.C.H. Allocated parking space. Small garden area. Carpeted throughout. No DSS/pets/smokers/children. Available Beg May.

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Ref: 38461

**HONITON**

A surprisingly spacious unfurnished two bedroom detached bungalow with a large garden (gardener included). Hallway, L-shaped sitting/dining room, kitchen, utility, bathroom, ample parking and turning space. No pets/DSS/children. Children considered. Available Immediately.

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Ref: 37487

**HONITON**

An exceptionally well presented four bedroom unfurnished detached house. To include large sitting/dining room, fully fitted kitchen, two bathrooms, underfloor heating, integral garage, driveway & enclosed garden. No pets/children. Children considered. Available Early June.

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AXMINSTER - £187,500

A 3 bedroom, 2 reception room semi detached home situated towards the end of a cul-de-sac. The property benefits from gas central heating, double glazing, gardens, garage and off road parking.

Accommodation comprises of entrance porch, entrance hallway, two reception rooms, kitchens, cloakroom, utility room, three bedrooms and family bathroom.

For more information please call Fox & Sons on 01297 32323.



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AXMINSTER - £850 PCM

NESTLED into the heart of the town centre, this deceptively spacious chalet bungalow is available through Greenslade Taylor Hunt for £850 per calendar month.

The property offers 3 double bedrooms, along with generous living space including a dining room, sitting room, drawing room & conservatory. This detached dwelling also provides an enclosed garden offering privacy, a summer house & private off road parking. Gas central heating, PF or UF. No DSS. Children considered. Available now.

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GREENSLADE TAYLOR HUNT

AXMINSTER - £189,950

MCKINLAYS Estate Agents are delighted to offer for sale this Modern Town House within a popular residential development in Axminster.

This 3 storey, 3 bedroom, 2 reception room semi detached home benefits from: The remainder of a 10 year NHBC warranty, gas fired central heating, uPVC double glazing, off street parking and a garage. The accommodation briefly comprises Entrance Hall, separate WC and open plan living accommodation with Kitchen, Lounge and Diner on the ground floor. The first floor has a Study, 2 Bedrooms and a family Bathroom, with the second floor boasting a Master Bedroom with Dressing Room and En-Suite Bathroom.

The property is offered for sale at £189,950. For further information please contact McKinlays Estate Agents on 01297 631199 or view all our properties on www.mckinlays.co.uk



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For more information please call Fortnam Smith & Banwell (Seaton office) on 01297 23939



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SEATON - £480 PCM

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The property has a store/meter cupboard accessed from the communal landing.

For further details please contact ChampionHolmes on 01297 20080 enquiries@championholmes.co.uk or visit our web site at www.championholmes.co.uk



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AXMINSTER - £550 PCM

HARRIS Lets are pleased to offer this recently redecorated 2 bedroom character cottage located close to the centre of Axminster town.

The property offers spacious living room, with newly fitted and decorated kitchen giving access to a small rear garden. The upstairs houses a bathroom with a shower and a double bedroom to the front of the property. From the 1st floor, stairs rise to the converted roof space that has been converted into a second bedroom with a velux window.

To view this property please contact us direct on 01297 630933 or email info@harrislets.co.uk.



**HARRIS
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COLYTON - £725 PCM

KUMARINA is a spacious semi-detached family home which has undergone a complete programme of modernisation; to include a comprehensively fitted new kitchen with integrated appliances, new bathroom suite, the addition of a utility room/wc and rear porch to the side of the property and good quality carpets. The front and rear gardens have been designed for ease of maintenance. Internal viewing essential to fully appreciate this property.

Accommodation comprises: entrance hall / study area, lounge, dining room, kitchen with integrated appliances, utility room/wc, rear porch, first floor landing, three bedrooms, bathroom, enclosed front and rear garden, garage, upvc double glazing and gfc.

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SEATON - £555 PCM

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REDUCED

COLYTON - £550 PCM

A lovely unfurnished, three bedroom character cottage, near the river with open gardens front and rear. Entrance porch, sitting room with open fireplace, fitted kitchen/dining room with appliances, ground floor shower room. Two double bedrooms on the first floor and a double room on second floor. Fitted carpets and curtains, lovely views. Economy 7 heating and parking nearby.



**NEW
TO LET**

BEER - £595 PCM

A two bedroom, first floor, apartment, in the centre of the village. Stairs to first floor hall, fitted kitchen with appliances, large lounge/dining room, full bathroom with assisted facilities. Gas central heating, double glazed, garage and parking, communal garden - Managed complex for over 55's



REDUCED

COLYTON - £600 PCM

A refurbished family house in the town square has spacious lounge, new fitted kitchen, dining area. 3 double bedrooms all with fitted carpets and curtains and double glazed, family bathroom and separate WC. Gas central heating, enclosed courtyard.



AXMOUTH - £600 PCM

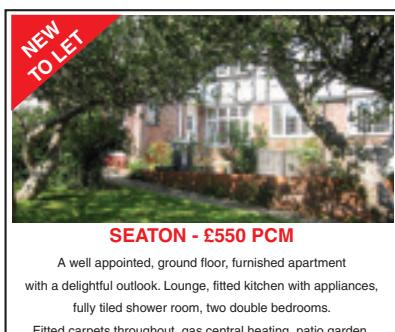
A part furnished, wing of an old farmhouse; New fitted kitchen with appliances, stairs to sitting room with wooden floor and crux beams, tiled bathroom with shower over bath. Spacious, beamed, double bedroom. Oil fired ch, electricity and water **included in rental**. Parking space and patio area.



**NEW
TO LET**

SEATON - £475 PCM

A second floor one bedroom apartment has stunning views of the chine and sea, fitted carpets throughout, fitted kitchen with appliances and open plan living area. Double bedroom with shower en suite. Economy 7 heating and private parking space.



**NEW
TO LET**

SEATON - £550 PCM

A well appointed, ground floor, furnished apartment with a delightful outlook. Lounge, fitted kitchen with appliances, fully tiled shower room, two double bedrooms. Fitted carpets throughout, gas central heating, patio garden.



**NEW
TO LET**

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Rosemount Gardens - £695pcm

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AXMINSTER - £525 PCM



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COLYTON - £550 PCM



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AXMINSTER - £475 PCM



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SEATON - £475 PCM

First floor flat in the centre of town and a short walk to the beach. Open plan lounge / kitchen / dining room, bathroom and two bedrooms, gas ch and private entry phone.

SEATON - £425 PCM

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AXMOUTH - £525 PCM

First floor flat set in the heart of the village with country views lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom, office space, front garden and off street parking.

COLYTON - £620 PCM

Smart semi-detached house in good location with pleasant views. Sitting Room with patio doors: Kitchen: Two double bedrooms: Bathroom: Gas CH. Gardens & Garage plus parking

COLYTON - £725 PCM

Kingsbridge is a spacious semi-detached family home which has undergone a complete programme of modernisation. The property is comprehensively fitted new kitchen with integrated appliances, utility room, the addition of a utility room and a separate side entrance to the side of the property and fitted quality carpets. The front and rear doors have been designed for ease of maintenance. Internal viewing is essential to fully appreciate this property.

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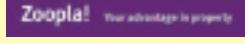
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Honiton - From £550 pcm



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Honiton - £535 pcm



A lovely mid terraced 2 bedroom house. This property comprises of lounge/dining room, kitchen, 2 bedrooms and family bathroom. The property also boasts a garden mainly laid to lawn. Conditions: No Pets, No DSS, No Smokers

Honiton - £725 pcm



A lovely 3 bedroom town house within a quiet mews, close to the town centre. Property comprises of downstairs cloakroom, kitchen, lounge, fully fitted kitchen, three bedrooms one of which is en-suite, and family bathroom. This property also boasts a courtyard garden and allocated parking. Conditions: No DSS, No Pets, No Smokers

Axminster - £475 pcm



A one bedroom terraced cottage on the outskirts of town. The property comprises: Lounge, Kitchen, One Double Bedroom, Dressing Area / Study, Shower Room and Garden. There is also a parking permit for one vehicle that comes with this property. Conditions: No DSS and No Smokers.

Upottery - £725 pcm



A lovely 3 bedroom semi detached house tucked away in a quiet cul-de-sac. The property boasts 3 good size bedrooms, large lounge/diner, conservatory to the rear, fully fitted kitchen and downstairs cloakroom. This property also benefits from an attached garage and private drive. Outside, the rear garden has spectacular views over the neighbouring countryside. Conditions: No DSS, No Smokers, No Pets

A Fresh Face at Symonds & Sampson

THE Lettings Office, within Symonds & Sampson of Axminster, has recently added to its strong team of agents.

Melanie Beaton joined the team, led by Saskia Williams MARLA, in March with many years of customer focussed experience under her belt. She has already undertaken her first ARLA (Association of Residential Letting Agents) course in London and is well on her way to becoming a fully qualified member of ARLA. This is of particular importance to Saskia, as she knows that an in depth knowledge of the ever changing lettings legislation, is of utmost importance to all of their Landlords and Tenants.

Melanie joins Saskia and Ann Hawkins, as a full time Lettings Negotiator. Saskia is very happy with the way Melanie has settled into the team and feels that their new and existing Landlords and Tenants will really benefit from the new appointment. "By bringing Melanie on board, our Landlords and Tenants will see that the level of Symonds & Sampson's commitment to their needs remains high, which is especially important in this buoyant market. We have

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GRASS KEEP AUCTION SUCCESS

ANDREW Luxton of Stags Honiton Office reports on an extremely successful Collective Grass Keep auction held at The Turks Head Function Rooms at Honiton on Thursday, 15th April 2010. With less grass seemingly offered for sale by Public Auction each year and a hard winter resulting in a shortage of spring grass ensured good competition.

Top price per acre was £188 per acre for a 4.77 acre field at Cleverhayes Farm, Cotleigh. The overall auction average of £117 an acre being almost 50% up on 2009.

Andrew Luxton further comments that historically he would have sold 1,000 acres plus by auction but each year due to people wishing to agree either on a private treaty basis or for a longer term, less grass keep is made available for public auction annually. Undoubtedly the results this year may tempt some to consider offering the grass keep for auction for 2011 as a way of confirming its true value. For further advice then do not hesitate to contact him at the Stags Honiton Office on 01404 42553.

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Beer £279,950

This property can be found in the desirable area of Barline, with views to the rear of the town and surrounding countryside. It offers spacious accommodation and a number of period features. We consider this property will appeal to a good cross section of buyers ranging from those looking to live in the village to purchasers looking for a second home or holiday let.

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Colyton

A very spacious and well presented three bedroom detached property close to Colyton town centre. The property benefits from gas central heating, fitted appliances in the kitchen, and master bedroom with en suite and balcony. Outside the property further benefits from attractive courtyard gardens and parking. Viewing is highly recommended.

Seaton Office 01297 24224



Seaton £219,950

This interesting and well presented Cottage style home is situated on the outskirt of this popular East Devon seaside Town. Built only 3 years ago the property benefits from the remainder of its NHBC. Features include a Courtyard garden and an open garage.

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Seaton £219,950

CLOSE TO THE SEA This well presented three storey town house situated close to both the town centre and only a short distance to the sea front. It benefits from a large courtyard garden and allocated parking to the front of the property.

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Colyford £239,950

This desirable Victorian property is located in the popular village of Colyford and benefits from private access to Colyford School. The property has many period features plus the ability to keep poultry in the garden. We consider this property will appeal particularly to those looking for a village and country lifestyle. Viewing is highly recommended.

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A well presented ground floor apartment located close to the town centre and sea front. This property is sure to attract both first time buyers and those looking for a conveniently situated holiday home or weekend retreat.

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Seaton £124,950

A two bedroom first floor flat located close to the town centre and further benefiting from a balcony, garage and guest parking. Double Glazing and Night Storage Heating.

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A well presented ground floor apartment located close to the town centre and sea front. This property is sure to attract both first time buyers and those looking for a conveniently situated holiday home or weekend retreat.

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Colyford

£150,000

Seaton Office 01297 24224



Colyton

£174,950

This well presented property benefits from being within reasonable walking distance of the Town Centre of Colyton. Plans available for Loft Conversion (subject to planning permission being obtained).

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West Hill, Nr. Ottery St. Mary

Guide £650,000

A substantial and well presented family home with four bedrooms (two with en-suites), two reception rooms, large conservatory and double garage. Situated in a small select development within walking distance of local amenities and highly regarded primary school.

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West Hill, Nr. Ottery St. Mary

£495,000

A beautifully appointed and extended detached bungalow with three bedrooms (master with en-suite), two reception rooms and integral garage. Standing in mature gardens of just over 1/4 acre and situated close to local village amenities.

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West Hill, Ottery St. Mary

Guide £850,000

A spacious detached family residence within large gardens with five bedrooms (two with en-suites) and detached double garage. Tucked away in a small high quality development on the Western fringe of the village close to amenities.

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Colyford, Exceptional Country Home - £750,000**NEW**

A stunning five bedroom country home located in an outstanding position with spectacular Axe Valley views. The accommodation comprises three reception rooms plus a 43ft family room/kitchen, ground floor cloakroom, five bedrooms, two en suite and two further bathrooms. Grounds approaching 3/4 acre. Double garage and ample parking.



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An attractive and spacious detached three bedroom house constructed to an individual design by 'Potton Homes'. The accommodation also comprises lounge, dining room, study, kitchen and cloakroom along with en suite to the master bedroom. Landscaped gardens. Detached garage. Wooden DG. Gas CH. Delightful rural views.

Seaton, Semi Rural with Views - £435,000


A delightful four bedroom town centre cottage in a riverside location which benefits from outstanding rural views. Sitting room, dining room, study, kitchen/breakfast room, four bedrooms and bathroom. Courtyard garden to front and utility garden to side. DG. Gas CH.

Colyton, Cottage with Character and Views - £265,000


Superb architect designed detached four bedroomeed bungalow in a secluded position in the village of Colyford. Four bedrooms, master en suite, bathroom, cloakroom, lounge with two patio doors and rural views, kitchen/dining room with patio doors and utility room. Gardens, garage and parking. uPVC DG. Gas CH. NHBC 10 year guarantee.

Colyford, Brand New Bungalow - £399,950


A double fronted cottage believed to date back over 100 years, situated in a level position close to the centre of this charming historic town. Reception hall, dining hall, lounge, garden room, cloakroom, kitchen, three bedrooms and bathroom. Medium sized garden to the rear.

Colyton, Period Cottage With Garden - £214,950


A detached four bedroomed house located in an elevated position within landscaped gardens and benefiting from spectacular Axe Valley, Axe Cliff and Lyme Bay views. The spacious accommodation includes reception hall, three reception rooms, kitchen/breakfast room, utility area, ground floor wc and shower room, family bathroom and separate wc. Detached Garage.

Seaton, Stunning Four Bedrooomed House - £680,000


An attractive bungalow situated in an elevated position only a short distance from the heart of the village with delightful countryside and village views. The property offers spacious lounge, kitchen/dining room, utility, family bathroom, separate wc, conservatory and double garage.

Bedroom Detached Bungalow - £319,950

A second floor one bedroom recently redecorated retirement apartment offering sheltered accommodation for the over 60's. Ideally situated in a level position close to all amenities and seafront the property also benefits from attractive sea views. The accommodation comprises one bedroom, lounge, kitchen and shower room. Communal Parking.

NO ONWARD CHAIN.

Seaton, Retirement Apartment with Sea Views - £60,000


An attractive south facing apartment overlooking the bowling green. Situated just a few hundred yards from the beach and town centre the accommodation comprises two bedrooms, master en-suite, family bathroom, lounge, large kitchen/dining room and private patio garden at rear.

Seaton, Superb Ground Floor Apartment - £169,950


A three bedroom detached bungalow located in the western part of town in the popular Wychall Park area. The accommodation includes living room, kitchen/breakfast room and bathroom.

Attached garage and landscaped gardens.

Seaton, Three Bedroom Bungalow - £224,950


A first floor retirement apartment for the over 55's constructed by McCarthy & Stone. Located in a town centre position the accommodation includes a double bedroom, lounge, kitchen and bathroom all fitted with 24 hour emergency care lines. Residents lounge. House Manager. Communal gardens and communal car park.

Seaton, Town Centre Retirement Apartment - £105,000


A most attractive end of terrace house located just a short level distance from the town centre and beach. The property comprises fitted kitchen, living room, two bedrooms and a bathroom. Courtyard garden. Parking space to rear.

Seaton, Close to Town and Beach - £174,950

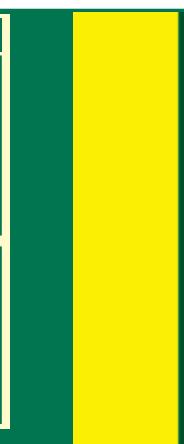
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A spacious two bedroom ground floor apartment formerly the show home, ideally situated in a level position close to Seaton town centre and beach. Master en suite shower, kitchen, lounge/diner and family bathroom. Allocated parking and communal gardens. N O ONWARD CHAIN.

Seaton, Ground Floor Apartment - £164,950


VIEWING
RECOMMENDED



A superb and most attractive four bedroom period detached country house benefitting from an outstanding attached two bedroom cottage. House accommodation: two reception rooms, family room, kitchen/breakfast/utility, cloakroom, 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms. Cottage accommodation: 2 bedrooms, lounge, living room, kitchen. Garden. Double garage and parking. Rural views.

Musbury, Period House and Cottage - £640,000


A four bedroomeed family home located in a delightful setting on the outskirts of Seaton. Accommodation includes four bedrooms, master and guest bedrooms en suite, bathroom, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility. Integral garage. Block paved entrance and parking. Landscaped gardens. NHBC 10 year guarantee.

Seaton, New Luxury Detached House - £450,000

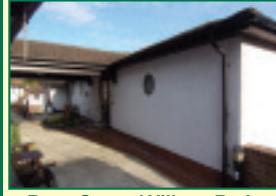

An attractive modern semi-detached cottage built in a traditional style close to the town centre with the advantage of a courtyard garden and a garage. Living room, kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom. Hardwood framed double glazed windows.

Colyton, Close to Town Centre - £189,950


Located on The Esplanade with outstanding sea views over Lyme Bay, a well presented three bedroom, second floor apartment. The accommodation includes three bedrooms, refitted kitchen and bathroom, living room, gas fired central heating and uPVC double glazing. Parking space. The apartment benefits from a share of the freehold.

Seaton, Second Floor Apartment with Sea Views - £179,950


A thatched Grade II listed cottage in the heart of the village with a number of period features including a fine inglenook fireplace and cottage style ledged and braced doors with both ceiling and wall beams. Living room, cloakroom, fitted kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom. Large pretty gardens. Potential for parking.

Colyford, Thatched Cottage with Garden - £249,950


A two bedroom retirement apartment located at the heart of Beer providing secure accommodation for the over 55's. The property comprises two bedrooms, living room, kitchen and bathroom and has the benefit of a 24 hour alarm system. Gas CH. Double Glazing. Communal parking area.

Beer, Central Village Retirement Apartment - £155,000


Part furnished flat close to the centre of Seaton. Living room with sliding windows to the rear. Open plan kitchen with washing machine, dishwasher, fridge/freezer, dining table and chairs. Two bedrooms and bathroom. Reserved parking space. Available immediately. No DSS. No smokers. No pets.

Seaton, First Floor Flat with Parking - £525 pcm



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An attractive cottage style 3 bedrooomed house in a quiet location in the centre of this picturesque East Devon village. Secluded mature gardens backing onto a meadow. Parking & a Garage.

LYME REGIS**GUIDE PRICE: £525,000**

A detached 1930's seaside house providing 4 – bedrooomed accommodation with sea & coastal views. Delightful landscaped rear garden. Garage & parking. Quiet location in a private cul-de-sac.

UPLYME**GUIDE PRICE: £585,000**

An imposing detached Victorian house recently renovated to a high standard. Very spacious 5 / 6 bed accommodation. Views across the Lym Valley.

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A well maintained ground floor apartment in this attractive terraced Victorian seaside house offering 4 – bedrooomed accommodation. Sea views. Communal front garden & 2 rear yards.

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GUIDE PRICE: £499,000



An impressive modern detached house with a letting cottage quietly tucked away yet in the centre of this picturesque Devon village. Main house: Living rm / Dining rm. Farmhouse style kitchen with 'Aga'. 3 Bedrms (one being ensuite). Bathrm / w.c. Letting cottage: Sitting / Bedroom. Kitchen. Shower rm / w.c. Good sized level gardens, walled courtyard. In all about $\frac{1}{4}$ acre.

RAYMONDS HILL

GUIDE PRICE: £385,000



A carefully maintained, individual detached 3 bedrooomed bungalow in a semi-rural setting amidst delightful secluded gardens. Excellent countryside views over the Axe Valley. Planning consent for alteration & extension of the accommodation to provide a dormer style bungalow. Conservatory. Summerhouse. Garage.

SEATON

£239,500



A good quality modern 4 – bedroomed house in an exclusive small courtyard development including a woodland area backing onto the River Axe estuary. Small front & rear gardens. Parking for 2 cars.

WHITCHURCH CANONICORUM

£425,000



A charming semi detached period cottage in a peaceful village setting within the Marshwood Vale. Extensively refurbished & enlarged. 3 / 4 bedrooms. Grade 11 Listed.

LYME REGIS

GUIDE PRICE: £325,000



An imposing Georgian House (Grade 11 Listed) in a picturesque riverside location. 3 Bedrooms & a study. Attractive walled garden & courtyard.

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GUIDE PRICE: £250,000



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MINUTES FROM THE TOWN CENTRE



This semi-detached bungalow occupies a convenient location within walking distance of all the amenities offering 3 bedrooms, front and rear gardens and a garage. This property would certainly suit a retired couple or a young family as it benefits from gas fired central heating and double glazing with accommodation comprising entrance hall, kitchen, sun room, living room, 3 bedrooms, family bathroom, gardens and garage. Viewing essential £189,950

TOP NOTCH CONSERVATORY WITH VIEWS



This unique detached bungalow enjoys a highly secluded and large plot which enjoys delightful countryside views over Cloakham Lawns towards Stockland yet is within easy walking distance of the town centre. There is a large garage/workshop and plenty of parking for numerous vehicles. Worthy of particular mention is the usable all year round conservatory extension to the main living accommodation and the beautifully fitted country kitchen with Range. Benefiting from oil fired central heating and double glazing comprising porch, hallway, lounge/conservatory, dining room, fitted kitchen, utility room, cloakroom, rear porch, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, large summerhouse with separate office. An internal inspection is advised. £359,950

NEWLY REFURBISHED £149,950



This 2 bedroom mid terraced house affords countryside views across Axminster and the Axe Valley with an enclosed south facing rear garden. This property must be viewed to be fully appreciated with accommodation comprising entrance hall, living room enjoying views, newly fitted kitchen / diner, 2 bedrooms, newly fitted bathroom, attic room.

4 DOUBLE BEDROOMS & DOUBLE GARAGE



This very spacious stone built barn conversion is situated in the heart of the town centre in a quiet backwater location with accommodation arranged over 3 floors including an attached games room/workshop. Close to all the amenities the accommodation comprises spacious open plan entrance / living room with inglenook style fireplace, former cloakroom, fitted kitchen / diner, 4 double bedrooms (1 en-suite), bathroom, shower room, enclosed walled garden. £315,000

APPLY NAMED 'LANE END'



with no chain and immediate possession available this property offers imaginative and largely extended accommodation set in approaching 3 acres in the delightful hamlet of Harcombe. Comprising reception hall, dining room, triple aspect living room enjoying views over the mature gardens, conservatory, kitchen, utility room, downstairs cloakroom, 2 bathrooms, shower room and 4 bedrooms, coppice wood double garage and open to offers £525,000.

A BEAUTIFULLY PRESENTED HOME



Benefiting from a large than average private garden enjoying countryside views. Having recently been modernised throughout it is the perfect property for a first time buyer or buy to let investment. Offering wooden double glazing, economy 7 heating with accommodation comprising entrance hall, newly fitted kitchen with hob and oven, living room, 2 bedrooms, newly fitted bathroom, parking, detached garden located close by. £129,950

FAMILY HOME IN NEED OF UPDATING



Set in an elevated position enjoying countryside views from the rear elevation. This 3 bedroom end terraced house benefits from replacement double glazing and gas fired central heating, it offers a good sized rear garden which in turn gives access to the single garage which is located in the adjoining block. This is certainly one to view priced at £159,950. Accommodation comprises entrance hall, 24' long living / dining room, kitchen, rear porch, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, separate WC, rear garden with large shed, garage and countryside views.

QUIET LEVEL CUL-DE-SAC



Viewing is essential to fully appreciate the transformation this property has undergone and the accommodation on offer. Benefiting from off road parking the internal accommodation comprises large entrance porch, spacious reception hallway, fitted kitchen / diner, living room with patio doors, study / bedroom 5, 2 double bedrooms and family bathroom on ground floor, 2 bedroom (1 en-suite) on the first floor, utility room, integral single garage, front and rear gardens, driveway. £315,000



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AXMINSTER - £205,000



NEW



SEATON - SEA VIEWS - £215,000



RE-AVAILABLE



A well presented modern 3 bedroom link-detached house with enclosed landscaped rear gardens and larger than average garage and parking. The property is offered with the balance of an NHBC guarantee and has a sitting room, fitted kitchen, dining area, en-suite shower room and bathroom all with double glazing and gas central heating.

AXMINSTER - £125,000



NEW

SEATON - £226,000



NEW PRICE

SMALLRIDGE - £395,000



LAST ADVERT



A modern 2 bedroom ground floor flat ideally situated close to Axminster town centre and yet tucked away in Market Square. The property has double glazing, central heating and pleasant rear gardens. This would make an ideal first home or investment property.

A well presented 3 bedroom modern cottage style property situated on a small development of only 14 homes. It is located with level access to the town and close to the popular bird watching estuary of the River Axe. This little cul-de-sac is a lovely location. This delightful home has the benefit of the balance of an NHBC guarantee, garage and parking, double glazing, gas central heating, en-suite shower room, enclosed garden and is offered with no ongoing chain.

SEATON - £389,000



A large 8/9 bedroom period house ideally situated close to the sea front and town centre. The property has a wealth of accommodation over 4 floors with superb south facing sea views to the front. This wonderful home has gas central heating and partial double glazing with 2 large reception rooms, kitchen, boiler room, 5 bathrooms and parking for a number of vehicles. It would make an ideal bed and breakfast or family home.

COLYTON - £325,000



A detached 4 bedroom house situated in a cul-de-sac in this popular location. The property has a wonderful large private garden adjoining orchards to the rear with countryside views beyond. There is double glazing, gas central heating, fitted kitchen/dining room, conservatory, living room, bathroom and cloakroom. There is an attached garage and driveway.

SEATON - £295,000



NEW

SEATON - £229,950



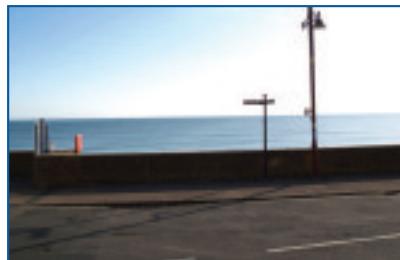
A modern detached house with well planned accommodation comprising sitting and dining room, kitchen, utility room, 4 bedrooms, en-suite shower room and bathroom. There is double glazing and gas central heating. Outside are enclosed rear gardens, garage and parking.

SEATON - £215,000



Tucked away in a cul-de-sac with a larger than average rear gardens backing onto fields this 3 bedroom end of terrace house has a modern kitchen and bathroom, sitting room, double glazing and gas central heating. The property is offered with no ongoing chain and has generous parking area to the side.

SEATON - £190,000



An opportunity to acquire a 2 bedroom ground floor apartment on Seaton Sea front with wonderful views across the sea. The property has double glazing, gas central heating and it's own front patio overlooking the sea. There is a good size living room, 2 double bedrooms, kitchen, bathroom, toilet and garage.

AXMINSTER - GUIDE £125,000



A charming 1/2 bedroom period cottage having just been renovated with new gas central heating, double glazing, kitchen and shower room, outside there are two useful stores. The property is tucked away close to the town centre and will make an ideal 1st home or investment. There is no on going chain.

SEATON - GUIDE £369,950



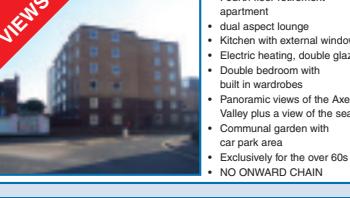
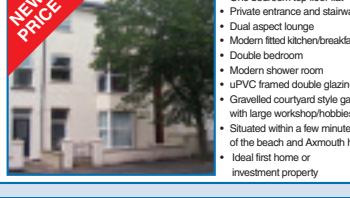
A well presented detached 4 bedroom house built by Prowling Homes just under 10 years ago and ideally situated on a high quality development on the west side of town. The property enjoys well planned accommodation with double glazing, gas central heating, private enclosed rear gardens and double garage.

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<p>Constantine Close, Seaton - £295,000</p>  <p>NEW PRICE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Modern Four Bedroom Detached House Storm porch, Hallway Lounge/diner, Kitchen Utility room, Cloakroom Four bedroom - master en-suite Bathroom/wc Gas central heating uPVC Double glazing Driveway with integral garage Enclosed rear garden Quiet Cul-de-sac position Viewings recommended 	<p>Glenwater Close, Axmouth - £279,500</p>  <p>NEW PRICE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Split level three bedroom detached property in quiet cul-de-sac Entrance vestibule Utility / store room Spacious dining hall Kitchen, Bathroom/wc Triple aspect lounge Master bedroom with en-suite shower room Two further bedrooms Gas central heating Extensive double glazing Large integral garage, plus wide driveway Mature well-stocked rear terraced garden Stunning views of the surrounding countryside and the Axe Valley 	<p>Primrose Way, Seaton - £259,500</p>  <p>NEW PRICE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Three bedroom detached bungalow Reception hall, cloakroom Fitted kitchen Dining room, conservatory Lounge with feature fireplace Inner hall, family bathroom Master bedroom-en-suite shower room Two further bedrooms Single garage Enclosed rear garden Tucked away level position Close to convenience store Viewings highly recommended 	<p>Fair View Lane, Colyford - £239,950</p>  <p>NEW PRICE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Victoria Semi-detached Three Bedroom Cottage Front porch, Reception hall Lounge, Dining room Kitchen, Rear porch WC/Store room Three bedrooms Bathroom/wc Gas central heating uPVC framed double glazing Attached single garage Plus detached single garage Ample additional off road parking Lawned garden plus cultivated areas Close to open countryside Some modernisation required Viewings highly recommended
<p>Harepath Road, Seaton - £220,000</p>  <p>NEW PRICE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detached two bedroom bungalow Kitchen Lounge Two bedrooms Bathroom, separate wc Conservatory Gas central heating uPVC framed double glazed windows, soffits and down pipes Enclosed rear garden Single garage Close to the Seaton & Colyton medical centre and Seaton primary school Viewings recommended 	<p>Heather Close, Seaton - £184,950</p>  <p>CLOSE TO CUL-DE-SAC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Well presented Coach-House Entrance vestibule, Hall Ground floor bedroom with cloakroom 'L' shaped lounge/dining room Kitchen with built in cooking appliances Inner hall Further double bedroom Bathroom/wc Gas central heating, double glazing Front and rear garden Cul-de-sac position Drive providing parking for two cars Internal viewings recommended 	<p>Church Street, Axmouth - £399,950</p>  <p>VILLAGE LOCATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spacious and versatile Grade II listed period property Good size lounge with separate dining room Four double bedrooms - one en-suite Family bathroom Modern fitted kitchen, conservatory Self contained annexe with large living room, kitchen, shower room and workshop Views of the Axe Estuary Attractive walled rear garden Off road parking for several vehicles Desirable village location 	<p>St. Johns Close, Colyton - £179,950</p>  <p>SALE AGREED</p> <p>SIMILAR REQUIRED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spacious Two Bedroom House Covered entrance porch Reception hall Good size lounge uPVC framed conservatory Modern fully fitted kitchen with integral appliances Two bedrooms, Bathroom/wc Gas central heating uPVC framed double glazing Easy to maintain gardens to the front and rear Two garages in nearby block Quiet cul-de-sac position Close to all village amenities Views highly recommended
<p>Homebaye House, Seaton - £65,000</p>  <p>VIEWS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fourth floor retirement apartment Double aspect lounge Kitchen with external window Electric heating, double glazing Double bedroom with built in wardrobes Panoramic views of the Axe Valley plus a view of the sea Communal garden with car park area Exclusively for the over 60s NO ONWARD CHAIN 	<p>Harbour Road, Seaton - £112,000</p>  <p>NEW PRICE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One bedroom top floor flat Private entrance and stairway Dual aspect lounge Modern fitted kitchen/breakfast room Double bedroom Modern shower room uPVC framed double glazing Gravelled courtyard style garden with large workshop/hobbies room Situated within a few minutes walk of the beach and Axmouth harbour Ideal first home or investment property 	<p>Tanyards Court, Seaton - £72,950</p>  <p>TOWN CENTRE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ground floor Retirement Apartment Private entrance and stairway Double aspect lounge Modern fitted kitchen/breakfast room Double bedroom Modern shower room Electric heating Connection to a 24 hour emergency care line Situated within comfortable walking distance of the town centre and sea front. Exclusively for the over 55s 	<p>Riverdale Close, Seaton - £130,000</p>  <p>ESTUARY VIEWS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two bedroom first floor apartment Double aspect lounge Modern fitted kitchen Two good size bedrooms Shower room uPVC double glazing, Gas central heating Garage in nearby block with power Uninterrupted views of the countryside, marshes and hills beyond Viewings highly recommended
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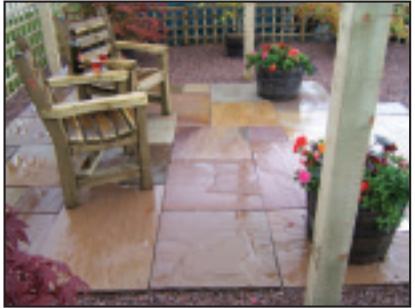
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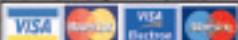
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In the border, *World's Favourite* glows orange-red with a delicate gold edge and *Red Impression* has elegant ruby red flowers on strong stems with impressive foliage.

For dramatic effect, grow parrot tulips for cutting. Garish and over-the-top for some gardeners but loved by others, these tulips have crumpled curly petals bunched into big ruffled blooms.

Many parrot tulips are scented which makes them particularly well suited as cut flowers. Choose a striking variety such as *Tulipa Flaming Parrot*, *Rococo* or *Orange Favourite*.

Tulips should be planted in late autumn - preferably late October or November - with the base of the bulbs at four times their depth below the surface.

Plant them in gritty compost in full sun and if they are in pots make sure there is plenty of drainage and that the pots are resting on pot feet so the bulbs don't rot from damp soaking in from the ground.



Colyton Garden Fair

The Parents' Association of Colyton Grammar School are holding its seventh Garden Fair in the school grounds in Colyford on Saturday 8th May 10am-4pm. This year the fair will be officially opened by Mr David House, director of music.

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New era for Cricket St. Thomas blooms

Historic Grade-II listed gardens and lakes at Cricket St Thomas Hotel near Chard re-open to the public on Bank Holiday Monday May 3rd as work continues on a major £300,000 restoration programme. And they're asking the public to have a say in the focus for the next phase of the work.

The aim of the massive project which has involved draining several man-made lakes to clear silt that had built-up over 45 years is to restore the gardens to their former glory and open up the glorious vistas of one of Somerset's most beautiful valleys.

The gardens and grounds cover some 160 acres and were originally created over a period of almost 50 years by the second Lord Bridport who spent what was then a huge fortune of £250,000 (estimated at around £500 million in today's money) on his ambitious plans.

Among features created were the chain of lakes and cascades, formed by damming a small river that runs through the grounds, as well as several ornamental gardens.

Today the main lawn of the elegant Regency country mansion, instantly recognisable as the setting for the TV sitcom 'To The Manor Born', still features the large cedar under which Lord Nelson and his mistress Lady Hamilton are believed to have spent many happy hours more than 200 years ago.

Among the work that is being undertaken by Warner Leisure Hotels has been the creation of a new Japanese garden and enhanced grotto designed by Chelsea Flower Show Gold Medal winner Kate Gould, and a rose gar-

den maze in the shape of a rose bud.

And, although most of the larger animals from the former Cricket St Thomas Wildlife Park have been permanently re-homed elsewhere in appropriate zoos and wildlife parks, several of the most popular collections remain in improved new surroundings.

Cricket St Thomas's famous lemur woodland walk has been improved and visitors will still be able to enjoy seeing the meerkats and mongooses. Wallabies and deer roam free in new wild meadow settings, and visitors will be able to see the former wildlife park's tamarind monkeys living 'free-range' in the trees - believed to be a first for a UK outdoor attraction. The new lakes and gardens have also retained flamingos at one of the lakes.

Paths around the beautiful Swan Down Lake and Wading lake are being improved and, whilst landscaping is still in progress. The grounds include many unique garden features such as a collection of bronze statues by local sculptor John Robinson.

A new exhibition with many historic photographs and documents highlighting how Cricket St Thomas has changed over the centuries will be free of charge to visitors.

As well as looking back, hotel guests and visitors will also have the unique opportunity to have their say about how Cricket St Thomas will look in the future. All the proceeds from the £4.95pp & Dogs £1 entrance price - half the entrance fee of the former Wildlife Park - are being invested in the gardens and grounds and visitors can vote for where they'd like the money to be spent -

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Ian GYTE, General Manager of Cricket St Thomas hotel, said: "This is a very exciting opportunity to evolve the Park and create a new attraction for families, local residents and the thousands of visitors we welcome throughout the year. The new Lakes and Gardens will be a stunning testament to the long heritage of Cricket St Thomas whilst taking the gardens firmly into the 21st century. We're confident that visitors will enjoy the beautifully designed gardens and our glorious Somerset landscapes."

Gardener Kate Gould described the project as "an amazing and huge undertaking."

She added: "What Warner Leisure Hotels are doing is no small feat and it will be fascinating to see the gardens develop as the plans take shape. I have been involved in renovating and enhancing the former grotto first cre-

ated by Head Gardener Dave West. It will have lots of exciting colours and should be in full bloom by late summer."

The gardens will be open daily from May 3rd to September, and possibly some dates in October dependent on the weather. Children under five go free and the gardens are free to guests staying at the hotel. Tea, coffee and snacks will available at the Lakeside Tea Rooms and in June a stylish new Italian restaurant, 'Fenocchi's' will open at the former Black Swan pub and restaurant.

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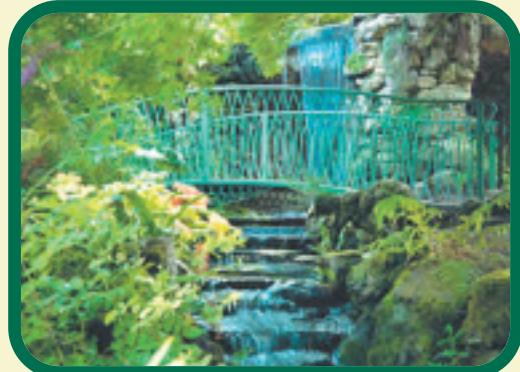
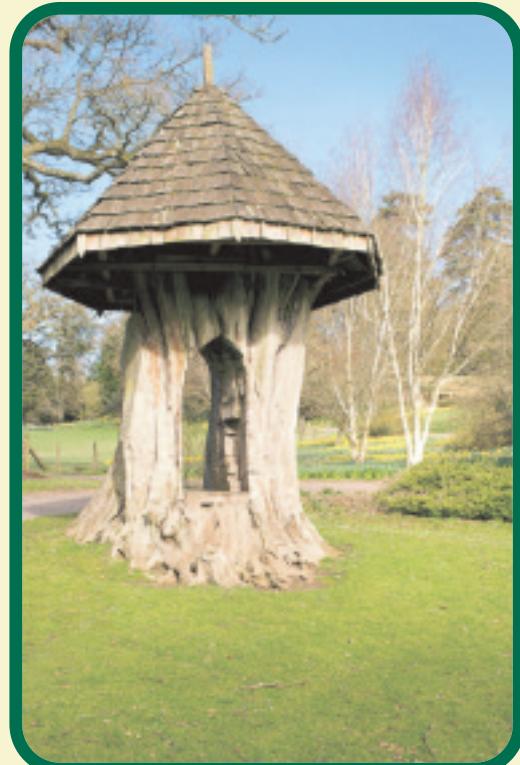
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DALWOOD £550,000
This extremely well presented detached home is situated on a lane side location in the glorious East Devon countryside. Combining the convenience of contemporary living, yet full of the charm of a bygone age, this home would make an ideal purchase for those buyers seeking a rural lifestyle.



RAYMONDS HILL £380,000
This is a superbly presented detached bungalow situated in a quality location on the edge of Axminster. Offering easy access to the coastal town of Lyme Regis and the outstanding East Devon and Dorset countryside, this home also benefits from beautifully tended gardens.



AXMINSTER £315,000
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AXMINSTER £335,000
This beautifully presented four bedroom detached house offers elegant accommodation and immaculate standards throughout. With two reception rooms, larger than average en-suite, double garage and off road parking, this is one not to be missed, and really is the home you need to view!



AXMINSTER £219,950
A 3 bedroom home located within walking distance of the amenities on offer in the small market town of Axminster. This exclusive property comes to the market with a well maintained garden and importantly, NO ONWARD CHAIN



SHUTE £425,000

An opportunity to purchase a property which benefits from fine views and is located in the heart of the countryside. Occupying a level plot and with a variety of outbuildings, this home offers the opportunity to purchase a slice of the good life.



AXMINSTER £172,500

A charming mid terraced double fronted cottage presented in very good order throughout, located in a convenient position in the heart of the market town of Axminster with accommodation comprising briefly of a living room, fitted kitchen, two bedrooms and a family bathroom.



AXMINSTER £164,995

A two bedroom home built in the 1900's located within walking distance of the facilities on offer in Axminster. This property has been substantially updated by the current owner to include a loft room and also benefits from gas central heating, double glazing, single garage with off road parking!



AXMINSTER £182,500

A delightful semi-detached bungalow situated within a short distance of the facilities on offer in the town of Axminster. Positioned on a level plot, with off road parking and a garage, this home comes to the market with the added benefit of no onward chain.



HAWKCHURCH £214,950

An opportunity to acquire a three bedroom detached bungalow which is in need of lots of love and attention in a beautiful village location. The property comes to the market with no onward chain. Potential purchasers should be in a procedable position and able to exchange contracts within 28 days.



AXMINSTER £179,950

A well presented terraced house situated on the outer edge of Axminster. Designed and constructed by Morrish Homes to a high specification five years ago with the benefit of five years remaining Zurich Guarantee. An ideal low maintenance home!



AXMINSTER £259,995

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AXMINSTER £136,500

A superbly presented and spacious one-bedroom luxury retirement apartment located in the market town of Axminster. Situated on the 2nd floor, with careline facilities if required, lift and communal residents lounge. An ideal purchase for independent living with peace of mind, care, and security.



LYME REGIS £530,000

A unique opportunity to purchase an eight bedroom detached property currently being successfully run as a Bed and Breakfast. With sweeping views across the Jurassic coastline, Golden Cap, Lyme Bay and Portland, the property comes to the market with a private garden and off road car park.



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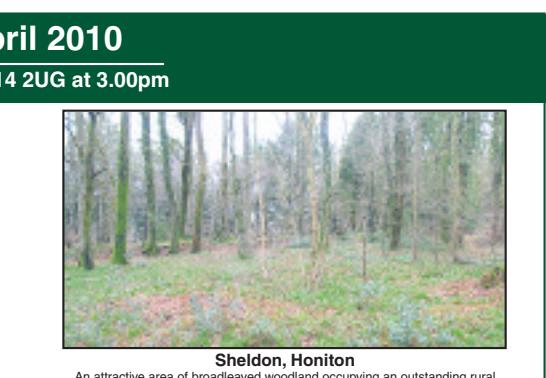
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Guide Price £103,000
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Guide Price £92,500
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SEATON - £174,950

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SEATON - £179,500

- Semi-det 2 bed bungalow
- Modern Kitchen & Shower room
- Lounge/Dining room
- Garage & parking
- Enclosed rear garden
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SEATON - £95,000

- Close to the Seafront and Beach
- 1 Bedroom Retirement Apartment
- Views towards sea and town
- Large Lounge & Balcony
- Economy 7 Electric Heating
- D/G

SEATON - £425,000

- Substantial 3 bed Detached House
- Updated & Extended throughout
- Large Lounge & Balcony
- 41'7 length Garage
- Ample Parking
- Close to town centre

SEATON - £247,500

- Immaculate Semi-detached house
- Period features retained
- Garden Room
- 2 Beds (Master Ensuite)
- Decked sun terrace & Garden
- Parking

SEATON - £319,950

- A detached spacious 3 bedroom bungalow situated on the western side of the town with potential to convert into the loft space (subject to the necessary P/P and building consents).

SEATON - £550,000

- A superb detached family home situated in Axmouth, immaculately presented throughout and has the benefit of 5 bedrooms all with their own private en-suite. This property would be a fantastic family home or would make a superb Bed & Breakfast.

SEATON - £299,950

- Detached and spacious chalet bungalow built in the 1920's and situated on the Western side of the town. The 'wow factor' of the property is the fantastic Sea views and Estuary views. The property has 4 bedrooms and flexible accommodation, good size gardens and garage and ample parking

COLYFORD - £375,000

- 3 bed 1930's detached house within walking distance of Colyton Grammar School. The property enjoys a semi-rural position with excellent countryside views and yet only a few miles from the coast. The property benefits from newly paved driveway & provides ample parking for a boat/caravan, OFCH & double glazing

SEATON - £229,950

- Attractive 3 Bedroom cottage style property
- Beautiful landscaped front and rear gardens
- Lounge with French doors to garden
- Kitchen with integrated appliances
- Master Bedroom with en-suite shower room
- Garage and parking

SEATON - £499,950

- Superb Sea, Estuary & Countryside Views
- Substantial Detached family home
- Elevated on the outskirts of Seaton
- Spacious 2 Bed annexe attached
- 3 Reception rooms
- 2 Bathrooms
- Two Garages
- Ample Parking



- Attractive gardens
- Separate Annexe Gardens
- Space for Boat/Caravan
- Viewing is essential to appreciate the views

SEATON - £110,000

- Retirement Apartment for over 55's
- Sunny Aspect
- Double bedroom with wardrobes
- House manager & 24hr Care line
- Lift & Stairs to all floors
- Car parking & Communal Gardens

BRIDPORT - £455,000

- Freehold commercial premises
- Restaurant
- 2 self catering apartments
- P.P. to convert to 4 apartments
- Parking for 3 / 4 cars and yard
- Close to town centre

SEATON - £89,950

- 1st floor flat with balcony
- Lounge & Kitchen
- One Bedroom
- Town centre location
- Short walk to the seafront and beach
- Ideal for investment or first time buyer

BEER - £515,000

- A unique opportunity to acquire one of the main Freehold retail businesses in the centre of the historic fishing village of Beer on the East Devon coast. Completely refurbished 3 bed, owners accommodation on the first floor.

SEATON - £169,950

- 2 Bed apartment
- Fantastic Sea & Coastal Views
- Economy 7 heating
- Lift & Stairs to all Floors
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SEATON - £49,500

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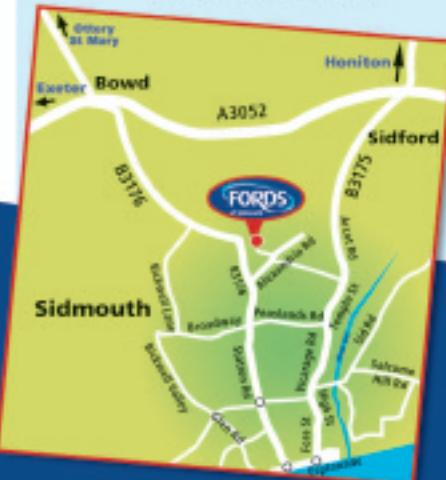
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To celebrate May's **Swim4Free** event, LED is giving away a **year's Swim Membership** to one lucky reader who correctly answers the question below. The prize means the winner will be able to enjoy unlimited free open swimming sessions at all LED pools for a whole year, plus member discounts and booking privileges on all other LED activities. The competition is open to entrants of all ages and the membership prize will be specifically tailored to the winner's age group. All Swim Membership packages offer a host of additional benefits alongside the unlimited free swimming.

If you're not lucky enough to win, don't worry – you can still **Swim4Free** on 9th May and for those of you who decide you might want to return to the pools on a regular basis to help stay fit and active, LED is scrapping the joining fee for new members who sign up on the day – this is on top of any other discounts for children, students and senior citizens.

LED is a charitable trust that operates 13 facilities including leisure centres, parks and the Exmouth Pavilion. For more information on all LED facilities, visit www.ledleisure.co.uk.

For your chance to win a year's LED Swim Membership, simply answer the following question:

Q: On which date is the next LED Swim4Free event?

A: [circle one] 8th May 9th May 10th May

Name:.....

Address:.....

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Email:.....

Closing date for all entries: Tuesday 4th May 2010. Please post entries to: LED Competition, Pulmans View from Newspapers, Tindle House, South Street, Axminster, Devon. EX13 5AD.

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Children clamouring to go to 'Boot Camp'!

FOLLOWING the success of the first 'CONFIDANCE' boot camp weekend a couple of weeks back there is already a waiting list for the next one. You may ask what would make children want to take part in a regime of exercise at 7 a.m., washing up after eating 'healthy' meals and regular 'dorm inspections', well I can tell you the secret... Sara Perry!

Sara has been running 'CONFIDANCE', dance / theatrical training classes for children for three years now and with her mixture of personal

(which was a great leveller) and judging by the eagerness to attend another Boot Camp it was appreciated.

The group is currently working on their new musical 'LOST IN MUSICALS TWO', which is being staged at Seaton Town Hall on Saturday 20th May. This is another original script from Sara and is a follow up to the previous very successful show 'Lost in Musicals'. Tickets are now available from The Hobby Shop in Seaton but are limited so I would urge people to get theirs quick so they don't miss out on witnessing the wealth of 'young talent' which is 'CONFIDANCE', they won't regret it!!

Sara says: "Confi-dance is what I call 'not a normal' theatre group as we do seem to attract kids with big emotional issues, learning and behavioural difficulties particularly ones who have a low self esteem. As I have worked as an alternative therapist as well I use my healing skills within the whole set up. I wanted to create something that one helped kids understand the real industry and prepare them for that and two to benefit the kids that just need basic social skills and help them get over their fears of being themselves."

"We have just been to bootcamp in Dartmoor which has not only helped with their own talents but has helped them with nutritional problems and other issues.

"In March I took a group of children and adults to the 'Move It' Expo (2nd Annual trip) in Olympia London. The kids including myself and team took part in various dance workshops learning dances from the hit musicals' Chicago, Fame and Mama Mia and a few were able to meet and work with Nicole Cutler from 'Strictly Come dancing' and 'Flawless' from 'Britains Got Talent'.

"All the children are keen to go on more trips like these but due to financial constraints aren't always able to and so I have devised 'Project C' an operation which to help fund these extra activities but also to offer extra training to those who wish to go into theatre as a profession."

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professional talent, loving discipline and 'fun' motivational techniques she has gained the respect of all the children under her guidance. After just a few weeks of her classes, shy, awkward children start to blossom into competent performers on stage in front of an audience and some find hidden talent beyond their own belief!

I was privileged to go to the Boot Camp as a singing tutor and witnessed myself the hard work and dedication Sara puts into her pupils. The whole weekend was packed with a full timetable of activities. The twenty children aged from 10 to 15 years of age who attended worked very hard and had lots of opportunity for creativity in group projects presenting their own drama sketches and personal versions of popular songs. I was amazed at the talent shown from everybody. As already said, they also had to adhere to 'house rules' which meant doing chores and keeping their stuff tidy which they all did, without moaning, in fact they appeared to enjoy the discipline

For tickets and information on any of the Confi-Dance shows call 01297 23474 or visit www.confidanceworld.com



Entertainment & Events 2010

Seaton Town Hall

21st & 22nd May 7.00pm
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17th July 7.00pm
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Tickets £6.00pm

Evening Of Variety & Entertainment
Musical & Dramatic Entertainment Featuring Finalists Of Sketch Writing Competition



27th November 7.00pm
Tickets £7.00

Cabaret & Buffet Evening
A global feast of music & entertainment featuring the members of Confi-dance who will perform songs & routines from around the world

18th December 7.00pm
Tickets £6.00

A Festive evening of music & entertainment, mulled wine & mince pies.



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Auction Fundraiser

9th July 7.00pm Entrance £3.00

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20th August 7.00pm Entrance £3.00

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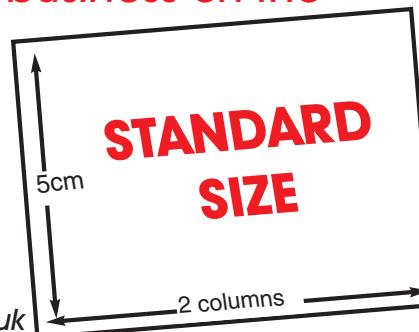
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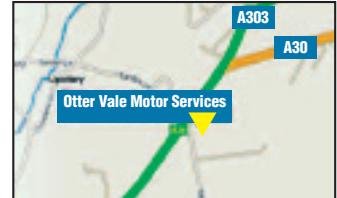
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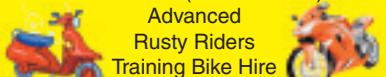
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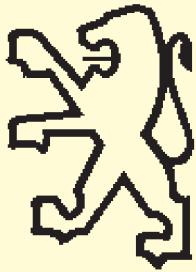
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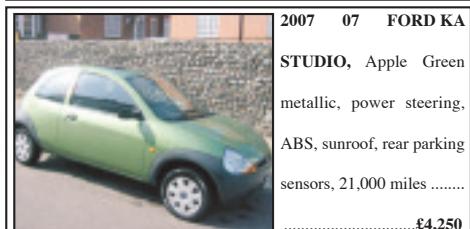


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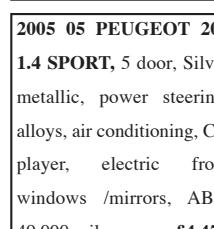
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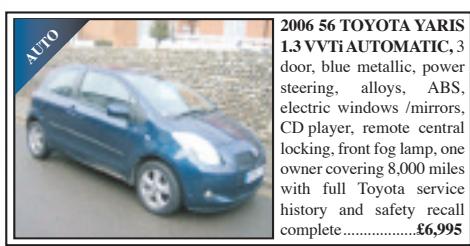
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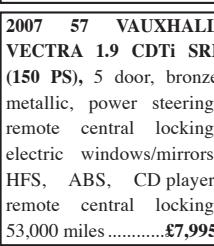
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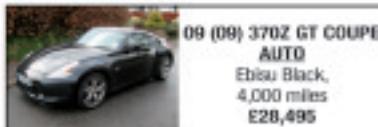
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AXMINSTER SUMMER LEAGUE

RESULTS for Monday, April 19th - Pulmans Losers Cup Axminster Con Club 1 Lamb Inn 3, New Inn Kilmington C 1 Axe Valiants 3, New Inn Kilmington A 3 Lamb Swans 1, Zany's 3 Beer Club 1.

Fixtures for Knock-out Cup - Monday, May 3rd: New Inn Kilmington C v Beer Club, New Inn Kilmington A v Lamb Swans, Lamb Inn v Axe Valiants, Axminster Con Club v Zany's.

HONITON LEAGUE

Doubles Competition held at the Kings Arms Hotel, Ottery St Mary on April 22nd, winners; David Bell and Terry Salisbury (Workers A), runners-up John Haywood and John Flowerdrew (Workers B).

Upcoming Fixtures 29th April 8pm: Ko Cup and Dan Downs

Upcoming Fixtures Thursday, April 29th 8pm

Ko Cup Final 1st game: Vine Inn B v Three Tuns
Dan Downs Final: Winslade Club v Feniton Soc B

RUNNING NEWS AND RESULTS

AXE VALLEY RUNNERS

With Dave Mutter

THREE AVR's managed to gain entry into this year's London Marathon. Geoff Woodward was first home, 9,676th in 3:55:47, closely followed by Steve Reynolds, 9,712th, 3:55:53. Finally Neil Vincent 14,852nd in 4:15:26.

Also on Sunday Luke Reed raced in another Aquathlon organised by Exeter Tri Club at Middlemoor police HQ. He finished 3rd senior male and 5th overall in 27.59.

This time was made up of 10.09 minutes for the 600m swim and 17.50 for the 5k run, including the transition.

There was a plethora of PB's in April's Junior handicap. Layla Felgate led the field home in 14:05, fol-

lowed by Rosie Hawkins in 16:29. Jessie Davies was 3rd, 17:24; Astrid Heasman 4th, 17:14 and Lydia Clapp 5th, 14:44. The sunshine certainly brought out the seniors, with 32 having a go at the handicap. Heather Grant was the victor in 32:44.

Marianne Sweetland crossed the line 2nd in 31:02, but does not yet qualify, meaning Diane Newton was 2nd in 36:56.

Emma Ellyn finished 3rd, 31:20; Marilyn Hughes 4th, 35:37 and Alison Gould 5th, 30:49.

Axminster Cricket summary

THE summer weather continued as Axminster completed their pre-league season friendlies.

Touring side Cambridge St. Giles proved too strong for the home side, bowling them out for 104 and completing an eight wicket victory in just 20 overs. Danny Larcombe, Ryan Walker and Nick Taylor were the only Axminster batsmen to reach double figures and Taylor then was the only successful bowler taking the two wickets that fell.

The carpet men then lost a local derby with Chard. The visitors were five wickets down with 114 on the board and 12 overs to go but the home attack suffered at the hands of Nick Crew (11Ino) and Mike Kennedy (6Ino) as they raced to a total of 244 after their 40 overs. Following the dismissal of openers Dan Murman and Michael Wakley with 15 overs gone the innings was given some impetus by Sean Perry (47) and Ryan Walker (54). The other batsmen however failed to trouble the scorers to any great extent and Axminster finished some 80 runs short.

The feature of the Axminster innings against

with Phil Spong

Portishead Pirates was the innings of Captain Paul Miller (50no) who appeared to be back to fitness, and a run-a-ball knock of 72 from Raul East.

Portishead never really got their reply off the ground and were bowled out for 143 with Raul East wrapping up the tail with 3-13.

Axminster now look forward to the league season starting this Saturday with the 1st XI home to Barnstaple, 3rd XI at home to Clyst Hydon. The 2nd XI have a long trek to Braunton and the 4th team are at Exeter Civil Service.

The Under 13s also have their first match on Tuesday evening against Sidmouth in the Bradleys East Devon League Competition.

As always the club has a busy season ahead with Clovelly playing host to many touring teams, Devon County Youth Teams and Devon Ladies and, new this year, the Devon County Disabled Cricketers will be playing two county matches, against Essex in July and Isle of Wight in August.

Honiton Summer Netball League

with Graham Ingram

RESULTS - Week One:

Division One: Visions 25 Flamingos B 15, Wasps 37 Bo-Peeps 22, Flamingos A 48 Sidmouth Toucans 22, Keeley's Angels 39 Uplowman 7.

SHARON Chester had a fine game for Keeley's Angels as they overpowered Uplowman - who for the first time in many years recorded a single figure score.

Flamingos A got off to a fine start with the highest scoring game of the night - a 48-22 win over newly promoted Sidmouth Toucans.

Division Two: Lyme Bay 31 CMC Birds 11, Tip Top Trees Oaks 26 Tip Top Trees Acorns 28.

Lyme Bay, with Emma Franklin in good form, were too strong for CMC Birds for whom the lively Ashley Logan caught the eye.

The Oaks v Acorns game could have gone either way. But the Acorns were pleased to hold on and win by just two points.

AROUND THE BOWLS CLUBS - NEWS AND RESULTS

FENITON with Roger Smith

ON Sunday the Club held its Opening Drive. The vicar the Rev. Cate Edmonds started the season with a blessing for the green and the coming season. This was followed by the President, Mrs. Glens North bowling the opening wood of the season.

The match that followed was won by the Ladies Captain's team over the Mens Captain's team with a score of +15. The top rink was; I. Veitch, G. North and T. Pyle who won with a score of +19.

The event was the first time that new club clock had been on display. The clock was given by Mrs. C. Granger in memory of her late husband Michael Granger. Michael was a former Club Captain and Chairman of the Bowling Club. He was a much liked, loyal and stalwart member of the Club for more than 15 years and was actively involved in all aspects of Club life, serving on the Committee for many years and also with the organisation Bowling Tours.

HONITON with Tony Broughton

BAD news from the men, after a thrilling last ditch effort they lost the Final of the Charles Parrott Shield to Torquay United by just two shots.

Chris Maynard, Bernard Tonkin, Ian Veitch and Kevin Lovering all played well and maintained a somewhat narrow, but useful, seven shot lead throughout. The Ken Clarke, Dave Roberts, Malcolm Seaborne and Eddie Sharman rink struggled against an on form quartet. At 17 ends they were 8-23 down but made a valiant effort in the last four ends with a 1, 3, 2 and 2 to finish 16-23 and level the match at 35 all. Kevin's rink was now on their 20th end and dropped a single. Honiton held shot on the last end but the Torquay number two managed to rest it out to lay shot himself. Ian's first bowl hit the jack but only locked it into the Torquay bowl. His last bowl and Kevin's two needed to move the jack out again to make two to win. A difficult shot to play under pressure and both failed but they did win the rink at 19-14. This is the second year running that Honiton have been runners-up in this competition, maybe next year.

The last final outstanding was the Davis Pairs between Thelma Flynn and Mike Sellick and Gareth Mettam and Sue Evans who came out the winners by five shots.

The ladies finished their season on a high by having two fantastic away results. First beating



◆ OFF WE GO: Feniton President Glens North delivers the first wood

Budleigh 50 - 28, the top rink was Corinne Galinski, Jenny Wilde, Ann Brown and skip Marian Vessey at 27-12, then a super 67-37 win against Madeira. Top rink that day was Rosemary Hiron, Beryl Walters, Pat Whitworth and skip Julie Grant with 28-8.

Saturday was the last day of the Indoor season and we played a side from Dawlish. This was a 2 shot victory with top rink being Dave Tooley, George Hoare, Eddie Sharman and Shirley Hiscocks.

This was followed in the evening with the presentation of the Indoor Trophies and an American supper. This is the first time trophies have been presented at the end of the season; they are usually done at the annual dinner in the autumn. This is an effort to save time and was a great success

Sunday was a beautiful sunny day for the start of the Outdoor season. Doug Hiron, the Club

President opened the green with the traditional first bowl of the season. This was followed by a Spider Competition. All players stand around the edge of the green and on command roll their bowls towards a jack in the centre. Closest to it, after all the banging about, is winner.

This year it was Tony Trembeth who picked up the Whisky. There then followed a 16 end roll up between 16 rinks of players.

First friendlies of the Outdoor season have been played. First home to Chardstock was a loss by 73-83, the second away to Victoria at Torquay was a win of 74-64. Top rink was John Collins, Sheila Holloway (Torquay), Ann Newman and Eddie Sharman at 21-7.

SEATON with Ted Harden

100th ANNIVERSARY SEASON AT SEATON
Seaton Bowling Club became affiliated to Devon County Bowling Association (now known as Bowls Devon) in 1910 but early records show that a bowling green was situated near Seaton Marshes in 1800.

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During the winter, short mat bowls and skittles are played in the clubhouse. All abilities are welcome and tuition is given to beginners. If you are interested, please contact Ted Harden on 01297 32847. You will be made very welcome.

CHARDSTOCK

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Golf round-up

AXE CLIFF with Janet Dack

Seniors Section

WITH the Seniors the second home inter-club match of the season against Long Sutton brought a further win for Axe Cliff by four and a half v one and a half. Leading from the front the Captain, Gilbert Cox partnered by Mike Tomes won together with Rob Grove/Morrison Brown: John Mant/Iain Bain and Chris Walker/John W. Knight. The half point was won by Peter Knighting/Alan Vincent.

Continuing dry weather produced testing conditions on Friday for the April Stableford in which 32 members participated. The four leading players did manage to master things, none more so than the winner Keith Wilson (11) with an impressive 37 points. Three players returned cards and on countback second place went to Mike Tomes (16) with Jack Bannister (27) edging out Derek Williamson (24) to take third prize. Finally, it was good to see Geoff Hubbard back in action and playing his first competitive round for over six months.

Main Club: On Saturday the B Team played away at Crediton. They had a very enjoyable game but lost the match five and a half to a half. Saving the whitewash was Geoff Greenslade and Phil Hellier.

On Sunday a Three Man Texas Scramble was played. The winners with a nett 56.8 were P. Smith, B. Gray and A. Morgan. Second were; J. Russell, A. Cooper with a nett 57.8

Ladies' Section: On a glorious Spring Morning the Ladies travelled to Wrington in the heart of Dartmoor for their first league match of the season.

The winners for Axe Cliff were Sandra Walker (16) and Chris Drew (32). However Wrington were the overall winners four - two. The return match will be played this Monday and the Ladies are hoping for a winning result!

This Wednesday the April Stableford was played. Winner of the First Division was Barbara Cummings (26) with 34 points. Division Two was won by Janet Dack (27) with 31 points.

◆ Axe Cliff Pair

Chase Bahamas Bounty

A GOLF-trip-of-a-lifetime to the Bahamas await amateur Richard Gibbons and his Axe Cliff PGA professional Mack Dack if they can come through the regional final of Europe's biggest pro-am competition, the Virgin Atlantic PGA National Pro-Am Championship supported by SkyCaddie.

The tournament which draws in more than 50,000 competitors from across Great Britain and Ireland is now its 26th competitive year.

Gibbons took his first big step towards a luxury six-day all inclusive trip to the island of Grand Exuma between November 23-28, when he won his club qualifying competition with a nett score of 69.

He and Dack now advance to Parkstone Golf Club on Monday 14 June, one of 16 regional finals, where they will play one round of better-ball medal play. The winning professional in the regional final receives £500, and there are valuable prizes for the top amateurs.

The winners at each regional final through-out Great Britain and Ireland will secure their place on board a Virgin Atlantic jet for the

exotic trip and the chance to compete in the Grand Final held on the Greg Norman-designed course at Emerald Reef Golf Club.

The PGA National Pro-Am Championship has a prize fund of £30,000, with the winning professional at the Grand Final taking home a cheque for £5,000.

Richard Gibbons has been playing golf for 20 years and plays off a handicap of 10.

Mack Dack, 41, has been a professional at Axe Cliff for 23 years.

HONITON with Andy Wagner

Men's Stableford

DOES anyone know the collective noun for bunkers? I'm betting on it being "a madness".

You can go weeks and never see one never mind visit one but once you start tipping into those beaches it can feel like there is more sand than grass.

The one redeeming feature was that we were playing a Stableford, a game against the course's par, so, after lighting that Hamlet cigar as in the old advert, you could pick your ball up and carry on.

One player who obviously hasn't experienced the discomfort of sand for weeks is Rob Willey who scored 40pts to take the Division One crown ahead of second placed K. Lloyd and third placed J. Jacobs who both had 39s. Division Two was won by Max Pipe with 38pts, just pipping B. Morrison on count back with G. Richards third with 36pts.

Me? as the Drifters once put it so aptly, "I've still got that sand in my shoes."

Tuesday Mixed: This week the format was the popular Rye Foursomes. 36 members played in sunshine and off the main tees which everyone appreciated after a winter of mats. The winning pair with 39 points on c/b were Jenny Raison and Stan Square. 2nd also with 39 pts were Sheila Banks and Cyril Dann. 3rd - Gerda Brown and Chris Poole with 38 pts. 4th Avril Shepherd and Paul Ritchie with 37pts.

Ladies Section: In sunshine but with a cold wind the Ladies played the Coronation Foursomes. The winning pair with a very good score of 40pts were President Anne Davies and Diana Gee. 2nd place - Rosemary Greenhorn and Jenny Raison with 38pts. Anne and Diana now qualify to play at Minchinhampton Golf Club in August.

Senior Section: No excuses could be made for a bad round in this weeks Four Ball Better Ball competition as it was played in perfect conditions. Thirty seven pairs took part competing for the five prizes on offer. Top spot went to the team of Fred Thomas and Trevor Bradley who finished with 44 points, one point clear of second and third placed teams of Brian Elkington and Michael Hunt and Pat Purcell with Mike Peskin. Jim Wallis and Alan Lane were fourth and the Ron Cooper/Morgan Walters combination took fifth spot. "Hole of the Day" could have been awarded to former captain Ron Jones who despite not possessing the lowest handicap these days demonstrated how it should be done by scoring a birdie on the 15th, the most difficult hole on the course.

There were mixed fortunes in the two matches played this week. A win at Axe Cliff by four and a half to two and a half but once again the Sidmouth course proved insurmountable and resulted in a five and a half defeat.

Axminster Ladies Skittle League

FINAL League tables:

Division One	P	W	D	L	Pts
Axe Carpets B.....	22	9	0	13	18
George Chardstock A.....	22	9	0	13	18
New Inn B.....	22	8	1	13	17
Red Lion Rabbles.....	22	9	0	13	17*
Kings Army Seaton.....	22	9	0	13	17*
Thorncombe A.....	22	8	0	13	16*
Division Three	P	W	D	L	Pts
Gerrard Guzzlers.....	22	17	0	5	34
Tuckers Arms A.....	22	16	0	6	32
Perfect Pins.....	22	14	0	8	28
White Hart Wanderers.....	22	13	0	9	26
Harbour Antics.....	22	11	1	10	22*
Lambettes.....	22	10	0	12	20
Old Inn Hawks.....	22	10	0	12	20
Axe Con Club.....	22	9	0	13	16
Seaton Football Club.....	22	8	0	14	16
Tuckers Arms B.....	22	7	2	13	16
Gerrard A.....	22	8	0	14	14*
White Hart Mad Hatters....	22	7	1	14	13*

*Adjustment made

Division Two	P	W	D	L	Pts
Kingfisher.....	22	8	0	4	36
Seaton Social Club A.....	22	7	0	5	34
Lamb A.....	22	14	0	8	28
New Inn A.....	22	10	0	12	20
Colcombe A.....	22	10	1	11	20*

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FOOTBALL RESULTS, FIXTURES AND TABLES

Devon & Exeter League

SEATON TOWN are champions of Division One and will be a Premier side next season.

The big game between SIDMOUTH TOWN and ST MARTINS finished 1-1 and both teams were relieved not to lose.

The Vikings scored first from Andy Isaacs just before the break.

But Nathan Melton then equalised for the champions who still feel they have a great chance of retaining their title.

Sidmouth have a chance to close the gap again when they host FENITON tomorrow night at Manstone Road.

SEATON had the champagne corks popping at BOW AAC where they won 2-0 to clinch the title.

Marcus Wyatt and Dan Norman scored for Seaton but they had to wait until the 80th minute to make sure.

BEER ALBION were 1-0 winners at bottom of the table BEACON KNIGHTS but felt lucky to get all three points.

Bear missed a first half penalty but John Cooper then stepped up to score a second spot-kick.

HONITON TOWN beat UPLOWMAN 3-1 with Tim Genders scoring twice.

SIDMOUTH TOWN clinched promotion from Division Three after their 2-1 victory at the ROYAL MARINES.

MATCH REPORTS

St Martin 0 Offwell 2

OFFWELL continued their assault on the top positions when they won 2-0 at St Martins, one of the form teams in Division Four.

The visitors dominated the game and if it wasn't for the home keeper they probably could have gone home at half time. As it was they led by a Chris Webb header and an absolute peach of a volley from Jack Knight from 25-yards.

They failed to score in the second-half but were happy to leave with three points and a clean sheet. Manager Nick Ogden said: "In the first-half we played some breathtaking football and battered them, in the second we couldn't find more goals but I'm happy with the points. We are now at the stage of the season where points matter more than performances, if we can get results in our next three games I will be very happy."

Chris Webb was Ogden's pick as Man-of-the-Match.

RESULTS

Premier

Clyst Valley 2, Wellington Tn 2. Hatherleigh 1, Exmouth Amats 0. Newtown 2, Budleigh Salterton 3. Sidmouth Tn 1, St Martins 1. Thorverton 4, Alphington 3. Topsham Tn 7, Heavitree Social 2. Willand Rov 0, Otterton 5.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Thorverton	26	18	4	4	86	41	58
Sidmouth	25	17	3	5	77	32	54
Topsham	25	16	4	5	70	32	52
St Martins	26	15	6	5	69	39	51
Heavitree	22	14	4	5	43	32	46
Newtown	25	13	3	9	59	44	42
Willand	25	10	7	8	45	37	37
Exmouth	27	11	0	16	44	52	33
Hatherleigh	26	8	9	4	56	54	33
Budleigh S	27	10	2	15	46	71	32
Alphington	28	7	7	14	45	59	28
Wellington	27	8	5	14	51	70	29
Clyst Valley	27	8	4	15	40	48	28
University	18	5	4	9	30	34	19
Feniton	25	5	4	16	41	77	19
*Otterton	25	3	2	20	28	108	10

*Points adjusted

Division One

Beacon Knights 0, Beer Alb 1. Bow AAC 0, Seaton Tn 2.

Broadcylst 1, Halwill 2.

Heavitree Social 3, Cullompton 5. Mordach Bishop 2, East Budleigh 1.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Seaton Town	21	18	1	2	26	25	55
Beer Albion	21	11	5	5	39	19	38
Cullompton	22	11	5	6	42	36	38
Bow AAC	20	10	6	4	41	27	36
Heavitree	21	8	6	7	48	41	30
Halwill	20	8	5	7	41	33	29
Budleigh S	21	7	4	10	30	34	25
University	20	6	7	7	31	36	25
Mordach	22	6	6	10	33	38	24
Sidbury	20	7	3	10	20	29	24
Broadcylst	22	6	6	10	28	45	44
*Elmore	19	6	1	12	32	48	18
Culm Valley	20	4	6	10	24	43	18
Beacon	19	3	5	11	30	47	14

Division Two

Exeter Civil Service 1, Upottery 1. Exmouth Amats 0, Barnstaple 2.

Honiton Tn 3, Uplowman Ath 1.

Tipton St John 4, North Tawton 2.

Westexxe Rov 3, Newton Tn 1.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Barnstaple	22	14	6	2	52	23	48
Tipton St J	21	14	5	2	61	24	47
Witheridge	22	12	6	4	50	29	42
Honiton	21	12	5	4	50	31	41

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Uploawan	21	8	7	6	39	36	31
Westexxe	23	9	3	10	39	36	30
University	19	8	4	7	35	33	28
Newtown	21	7	4	10	52	43	25
Tawton	21	7	4	10	50	43	25
*Axminster	22	8	5	9	42	49	25
*Exeter CS	22	7	7	8	42	53	25
*Exmouth	21	5	4	12	28	67	13
Upottery	19	2	6	11	20	37	12
*Dawlish	24	1	4	18	33	89	-6

Division Three

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Chard Tn	25	1	5	1	1	1	1
Colyton 2, Clyst Valley 0.							
Kentsisbeare 1, Winkleigh 1.							
Phoenix Club 2, Pinhoe 1.							
Royal Marines 1, Sidmouth Tn 2.							
South Zeal Utd 3, Lapford 2.							

Division Four

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Baldwih Utd 3, Crediton United 1.							
Okehampton Argyle 1, Bampton 3.							
North Tawton 1, Countess Wear 2.							
University v Uplowman Ath.							
Worle Rov v Axminster Tn.							

Division Five

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bickleigh 2, Wellington Tn 1.							
Dawlish Utd 3, Crediton United 1.							
Exmouth 1, Chard Tn 1.							
Gillacombe 1, Pinhoe 1.							
Kentsisbeare 1, Phoenix Club 1.							
Lymington 1, Topsham Tn 1.							
Sidmouth Tn 1, Royal Marines.							
Winkleigh 1, Chard Tn 1.							

Division Six

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
AFC Sidford 2, Beer Alb 2.							
Alphington 3, Heavitree Social 7.							
Axmouth Utd 6, Uploawan Ath 2.							
Exmouth Tn 2, Ch Fitzpaine 3.							
Ottery St Mary 0, Awliscombe 5.							

Division Seven

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Amory Argyle 4, Clyst Valley 3.							
Bampton 2, Honiton Tn 1.							
Beacon Knights 7, Langdon 0.							
Culm Utd 1, Okehampton Argyle 3.							
East Budleigh 1, Hatherleigh 1.							
Priory 2, Rockbeare Rgs 4.							

Division Eight

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Five Star Security 3, Bradininch 2.							
Hallwell 2, Buckland & Milber 2.							
Langdon 2, Bow AAC 2.							
Lymington 1, Folly Gate 1.							
North Tawton 1, Amory Park 10.							
Sandford 4, Met Office 1.							

Division Nine

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Ch Fitzpaine 1, Tipton St John 4.							
Countess Wear Dyn 4, Colyton 1.							
Offwell Rgs 2, Hemyock 5.							
Otterton 4, Mordach Bishop 4.							
Topsham Tn 4, Seaton Tn 3.							
Winkleigh 3, Feniton 6.							

Fixtures

Premier

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Clyst Valley	23	9	3	10	39	36	30
Exmouth Amats	21	8	4	7	35	33	28
Newtown	21	7	4	10	52	43	25
Tawton	21	7	4	10	50	43	25
*Axminster	22	8	5	9	42	49	25
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Division One

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Beer Alb 1.							
Broadcylst 1.							
Culm Utd 1.							
East Budleigh 1.							
Heavitree 1.							
Mordach Bishop 1.							
Topsham 1.							
Willand Rov 1.							

Division Two

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Chard Tn 1.							
Clyst Valley 1.							
Exmouth 1.							
Hatherleigh 1.							
Langdon 1.							
Pinhoe 1.							
Topsham 1.							
Willand Rov 1.							

Division Three

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Amory Argyle 1.							
Baldwih Utd 1.							
Bickleigh 1.							
Clyst Valley 1.							
Dawlish Utd 1.							
Exmouth 1.							
Heavitree Social 1.							
Hatherleigh 1.							
Langdon 1.							
Pinhoe 1.							
Topsham 1.							
Willand Rov 1.							

Division Four

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Baldwih Utd 1.							
Bickleigh 1.							
Clyst Valley 1.							
Dawlish Utd 1.							

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HONITON MIXED U7s & U8s

Honiton mixed U7s & 8s Rugby. HONITON travelled to nearby Topsham with the home team having 22 players to the visitors eight. As a result the teams played a mini round-robin tournament with Honiton facing three very good Topsham sides, one after another.

In the first game Honiton drew 6-6 with

a brace of tries from Sam Steel and Jack Todd plus scores from James Ashby and Lewis Gleed.

In the second game Honiton lost a close game 7-6 with Jack Todd and James Ashby both scoring a brace and Osian Owen and Sam Steel grabbing a try each.

The final match was once again a close

affair with Topsham just shading it 7-5. Yet again Jack Todd grabbed a brace along with Lewis Gleed while Ben Dean added the fifth. Man-of-the-Match went to Osian Owen.

More players are required for next season, especially with many of the players moving up to the U9s next year.

Axe Valley Pedallers take to the water

THE Axe Valley Pedallers left the Axe valley for April's Sunday club ride with the meeting point being Dartington Cider Press Centre with the eight riders arriving from several directions writes Alistair Cope.

The sun was shining and the day was promising to get a bit warmer. We all had a hot drink to get us going and then we hit the cycle trail into Totnes - a little bit of off-road along the river was a pleasant start and then it was through Totnes to our first hill, it was pretty steep and long which took us all by surprise! Of course, if you go up you have to come down, so we had a nice descent towards the picturesque village of Ashprington. We carried on along the beautiful River Dart to Dittisham where we stopped for lunch in a popular cafe

serving lovely local foods.

After lunch it was time for an exciting river crossing, so after hauling the little ferry boat by ringing a big bell, we trundled our bikes onto the pontoon and managed to squeeze all 8 bikes and riders onto the boat for the five minute crossing to Greenway. After a few more hills we reached Stoke Gabriel, another picturesque village, where we simply had to have another cafe stop in a rather nice place on the river.

We were on the home stretch now heading back towards Totnes, onto the cycle path and back to Dartington where we said our goodbyes. The ride was a total of 26 challenging, but beautiful miles with roughly 1000 metres of climbing.



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